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Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Friday, March 1.

This day has been a very dull one in both branches of Congress, which is a remarkable and almost unprecedented thing at this stage of the session. There has been a tedious suspense all day up to the present hour, 9 P. M., owing to the non-reception of the expected veto of the Reconstruction and Tenure of Office Bills. It is known that the veto of the former was read in Cabinet to-day, and immediately thereafter was put in hands for revision. It was expected at the House before the recess, but not being received, a fresh crop of rumors were set afloat, to the effect that the President had reconsidered his determination and would sign the bill. Such reports were telegraphed to New-York for the second or third time, for the benefit of the shorts in the gold market; but there was, as usual, no truth in them. The non-reception of the veto to-night leads to the belief that the Democrats will resort to a fillibustering contest to-morrow in the House, for the purpose of keeping it until the expiration of the Congress on Monday next. This is hardly probable, as nothing substantial is to be gained by it. It is more than probable that they will try this game on the Tenure of Office Bill, the veto of which must also come in to-morrow. The Army Appropriation Bill will probably be subjected to a pocket veto, in consequence of the section prohibiting the removal of the headquarters of the General of the army from Washington, on his assignment to duty elsewhere, which the President deems unconstitutional, because it contravenes his authority as Commander-in-Chief. The bill has not yet reached him.

Again to-day all has been anxiety and speculation about the course the President shall pursue as to the Military Reconstruction Bill. Most extravagant speculations and stories have been told, among them the often repeated assertion that Mr. JOHNSON had agreed to sign the bill. It is scarcely necessary to say that these were mere rumors. Those who know the real facts are aware that from the first the President was decided on vetoing the bill, and that in his decision he was from the first supported by every member of the Cabinet except one. There is not the shadow of a foundation to the statement telegraphed from this city that Mr. JOHNSON has withheld his message to this, with the understanding that Democratic members would fillibuster the bill to the end of the session. For three days past not a single Democrat has had an interview with him, except Hon. REVERDY JOHNSON, who, by the way, did not visit the President to advise him to sign the bill, as has been alleged. The object of the Senator from Maryland was to make suggestions as to the tone of message, and for no other purpose. His explanation of the delay in sending the message to Congress has been given in these dispatches, and when the message shall be read by the people, the document itself will present the best excuse, if any be needed, for its non-appearance at an earlier day. I can say positively, however, that the message will be delivered to Congress to-morrow. It is now in print, and the last revise of proof was sent to the printer at 10 o'clock to-night. It was read to the Cabinet to-day and approved. Several Democratic members have informed me that there is no intention on their part to delay the passage of the bill, and that there will be no fillibustering for that purpose.

The veto of the Tenure Office Bill will be sent to Congress with the Military Reconstruction Bill. Democrats will resist the passage of the former. Up to ten o'clock to-night the Army Appropriation Bill had not been received by the President. If it shall come to his hands in time it will be vetoed on account of the amendment, which wrests the control of the army from the Executive.

THE FURNITURE OF THE WHITE HOUSE.

The Deficiency Appropriation Bill being under consideration in the House Committee of the Whole this morning, Mr. RADFORD, of New-York, took occasion to revive the stories regarding the disappearance of furniture from the White House, and stated that the steward had informed him that valuables, to the amount of $30,000 were packed in trunks and boxes, and carried away after Mr. LINCOLN'S death. Mr. FARNSWORTH asserted very plainly that the steward referred to had failed either to say or swear to any statement of that kind when examined by the Appropriation Committee. It was expected that some one from Illinois would reply to the base insinuations of Mr. RADFORD as they deserved, but aside from Mr. FARNSWORTH'S contradiction, nothing was said. It is due to the parties interested to state that Mr. RADFORD'S informant is apt to tell tales of a character to please his listeners, and is anxious to curry favor with the present occupants of the Executive Mansion, who are well-known to be unfriendly toward Mrs. LINCOLN.

THE FORTIETH CONGRESS.

The Senate will to-morrow proceed to the election of a President *pro tempore* in place of Senator FOSTER whose term expires on Monday next. The Republicans of that body held a caucus to-day and nominated Senator WADE for that position by a vote of twenty-two against seven for Mr. FESSENDEN. It is rumored that the Democrats will vote for Mr. DOOLITTLE.

The Republican caucus for selecting candidates for officers of the next House will be held to-morrow night. There will be no contest on any of the offices probably but Doorkeeper and Postmaster. For the former three candidates are named, viz.: Capt. GOODENOW, the present occupant; O. B. BUXTON, his Chief Assistant, and Gen. LIPPINCOTT, of Illinois, who ran against LEWIS W. ROSS, Democrat, at the last election, and was defeated by a small majority. The New-York Delegation met this afternoon and resolved to present Capt. GOODENOW'S name for reelection. The most prominent candidate for Postmaster is Col. GIVEN, the present occupant, who will probably be reelected.

Nearly all the new members of the Fortieth Congress have arrived in the city. Among them are Mess. Van Wyck, Fox, Brooks, Lincoln, Robinson, Barnes and Churchill, of New-York; Hill and Halsey, of New-Jersey; Peters of Maine; Shanks, of Indiana; and Washburn and Hopkins, of Wisconsin. There will be about forty-five new members in the next House.

A WOMAN TO RECEIVE A CONSULAR APPOINTMENT.

Last November Mrs. FRANCIS LORD BOND, of New-York, filed an application for a Consular appointment in the State Department. It had been previously favorably indorsed by the President, and subsequently, when the Senate expressed itself as favorable to the idea of woman's suffrage, the applicant pushed her claims more earnestly. The matter was considered in Cabinet meeting, and the Administration has finally concluded to nominate her for some British port, and will send her name to the Senate as soon as she has prepared herself in accordance with the regulations of the State Department.

THE TAX BILL.

The Senate took up the Tax Bill this morning, and finished its consideration this evening. The only changes made from the recommendations of the Finance Committee were the reduction of the tax on cotton from three to two cents per pound and the placing of gas companies on the same footing as railroads, viz., repealing the limitation clause of the present law, which provides that after the 30th of April they shall not be allowed to charge their tax to consumers. The public must still bear the burden. An effort was made to reduce the tax on whisky to $1 50 after the 1st of October, and to $1 after the 1st of April, 1868, but it did not succeed.

THE BANKRUPT BILL.

The Bankrupt Bill was reported from the Conference Committee in the House to-night, with a recommendation which, in effect, preserves all the prominent features of the original House bill. Mr. JENCKES explained the result of the recommendations, and Mr. MAYNARD, announcing enmity to its general principles, moved to lay it on the table. The motion was lost—yeas 71; nays 88. The friends of the measure exerted themselves to the utmost in its behalf, and Mr. JENCKES succeeded in changing quite a number of votes by his personal appeals. When the vote was announced, a motion to adjourn was offered, which, if carried, would have killed the bill, as it could not have been reached again. The first count on adjournment was a tie, 58 votes for and against, and the Speaker voting in the negative, attempted to save it. The ayes and noes were then called on the adjournment question, resulting 57 ayes and 90 noes. The previous question was then ordered, but Mr. STEVENS exhibiting a desire to fillibuster, Mr. DALE offered a motion to adjourn, for the purpose of flanking the movement to delay. It was lost in the roll-call proceeded on ordering the main question, resulting, yeas 86, nays 56. The bill was then passed—yeas 73, nays 71. Thus ended a struggle for a great principle, which has progressed in Congress for eleven years past, and to Mr. JENCKES belongs the credit of the victory, as he has been untiring in his efforts to secure its passage. As the Clerk read the names, it became evident that the vote was very close, and Mr. JENCKES again exerted himself in using his personal influence to change votes. Amid breathless silence the result was announced, when the friends of the bill broke out in loud applause.

THE IMPEACHMENT.

The House Judiciary Committee intend to report to-morrow on the impeachment of the President, but probably the report will not indicate the character of the testimony produced before the Committe. I learn from reliable source that Senators elect from Colorado were before the Committee for the purpose of proving that Mr. JOHNSON had made improper overtures to them while the bill for the admission of that Territory was pending, and that afterward witnesses proved a letter before the Committee, written by these would-be Senators themselves, making overtures to the President. I also learn that the character of the testimony thus far taken by the Committee is of the most irrelevant and flimsy nature, and scarcely rising to the dignity of hearsay evidence in any case. In fact, such testimony as would be rejected by a crossroads Magistrate's Court in a preliminary examination.

FALSE RUMORS.

A sensation paragraph about Cabinet changes, published in a New-York paper to-day, in which Mr. BLACK is named as successor of Mr. SEWARD, has no better foundation than idle curb-stone gossip of the capital.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT.

The President yesterday signed forty bills recently passed by Congress.

No nominations were sent to the Senate to-day.

REVENUE COLLECTOR FOR NEW-YORK.

My announcement of the nomination of T. E. SMITH, as Collector of the Eighth District, New-York, was premature. Mr. SMITH had been selected by the Secretary of the Treasury, and his name sent to the President, but conflicting influences afterward intervened, and there is now a halt in the programme.

Gov. Swann, of Maryland, Declines the United States Senatorship—Roll of Honor—Projected Expeditions—Nominations Confirmed—Army Matters.

To the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Friday, March 1.

Gov. SWANN, of Maryland, has declined the United States Senatorship, as stated to-day in a telegraph from that State.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The War Department has published another "Roll of Honor," being a pamphlet of two hundred and fifty-four pages, and containing the names of about fourteen thousand soldiers who died in defence of American union, interred in New-Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New-Jersey, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Oregon, Maryland, South Carolina, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, Missouri, the Military Division of the Mississippi and the Territory of Dakotah.

PROJECTED EXPEDITIONS.

Two circulars have been widely circulated, the one having in view an armed expedition to develope the mineral resources of Sonora and Mexico; the other, signed by Gen. H. CLAY CRAWFORD, his object being to organize a Liberating Army of Mexico. These movements do not receive the sanction of the Republican Government of Mexico, which regards them as injurious to the interests of that country.

NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED AND REJECTED.

The Senate to-day confirmed the following nominations of Postmasters:

Edwin S. Merrill, Winchendon, Mass.; Oliver Wood, Portsmouth, Ohio; Joseph Davis, Albany, N. Y.; Stephen H. Evans, Tidoute, Penn.; Anson S. Miller, Rock Island, Ill.; Levi H. Leib, Ashland, Penn.; Horace Chapin, Jacksonville, Ill.; Edwin M. Lucas, Iowa City, Iowa; Thomas Tressal, Annapolis, Md.; John Sleigh, Hagerstown, Md.; George Peak, Decatur, Ill.; John B. Walthall, Lynchburgh, Va.; John R. Trumbull, Monmouth, Ill.

Assistant Appraiser of Merchandise—John D. Park, New-Orleans, La.

Register of Land Office—James A. Shigley, Clarksville, Ark.

United States Marshals—Albert Potter, for the District of Oregon; Thomas B. Wallace, for the Western District of Missouri.

Consuls—A. G. Gill, of New-York, at Rheims, France; William L. Duff, of Illinois, at Glasgow.

United States District Attorney—John A. Rush, for the Territory of Arizona.

Collectors of Internal Revenue—Silas F. Smith, Twenty-third District, New-York; Charles Rinke, Third District, New-Hampshire; S. P. Sherman, Fifth District, Iowa; Peter McDough, Twentieth District, Pennsylvania.

Assessors of Internal Revenue—R. H. Carnahan, Second District of Illinois; C. C. Esty, Seventh District of Massachusetts; F. Z. Hubner, Sixth District of Pennsylvania; Curtis C. Gardner, Twenty-seventh District of New-York; George W. Alexander, Eighth District of Pennsylvania. All the above were confirmed, but the following were rejected, namely:

Postmasters—Jacob Lalade, Williamsport, Penn.; Joseph P. Cantwell, Elkton, Md.; Samuel Heyl, Sparta, Wis.; Edwin L. Williams, Pekin, Ill.; Albert G. Tenaly, Brunswick, Me.; H. B. Grubb, Carmichaelville, Ill.; John A. Crouse, Muncey, Penn.; John B. Bass, Quincy, Mass.; Henry Glunz, Hazelton, Penn.; Daniel Brewster, Montrose, Penn.; Henry Quiltman, Norristown, Penn.; James Welch, Pittstown, Penn.; Samuel L. Gulick, Danville, Penn.; Edward Talbot, Ellicott's Mills, Md.; Jas. C. Boolidge, Warsaw, Ill.; Elizabeth C. Humphreys, Coatsville, Penn.; Jackson H. Kerlin, Middletown, Penn.; Samuel S. Richards, Saco, Me.; George J. L. Colby, Newburyport, Mass.

Governor of Washington Territory—George E. Cole.

United States Attorney for Washington Territory—Samuel Wood.

Secretaries of Territories—Elwood Evans, Washington Territory, and John P. Bruce, Montana Territory.

Superintendent of Indian Affairs—S. Dwight, Nebraska Territory.

Naval Officer—Thomas Grey, San Francisco, Cal.

Assessors of Internal Revenue—Franklin C. Smith, Fifth District Illinois; William C. Binney, Fifth District Massachusetts; Levi Sterling, Third District Wisconsin; John F. Beisterling, Third District Pennsylvania; J. R. Pease, Second District Wisconsin; Thomas B. Benton, Sixth District Iowa; David Barden, Sixth District Indiana.

Collectors of Internal Revenue—C. H. Meeks, Sixth District Illinois; E. J. Boardman, Sixth District Iowa; Austin H. Brown, Sixth District Indiana.

Collector of Customs—R. M. King, St. Marys, Ga.; Lewis C. Hunt, Miami, Ohio.

Appraiser of Merchandise—Antoine Marrel, New-Orleans, La.

Consul—Joseph S. de Agreda, of New-York, at Puerto Cabello.

Associate Justice of the Supreme Court—John W. Boyle, Territory of Dakotah.

Indian Agent—Martin W. Chollar, for the Choctaws and Chickasaws.

ARMY MATTERS.

General Order No. 5 from the Military Division of the Pacific, under command of Maj.-Gen. HALLECK, provides for the discontinuance of the District of Boise, in the Department of the Columbia. Fort Boise, Camp Lyons, Camp Winthrop, Camp C. F. Smith and Camp Warner will constitute the District of Owyhee. Camps McDermott and Weld Scott, without being ordered from the Department of California, will be subject to the orders of the commanding officer of the Owyhee District, as far as regards the guarding of the public roads and making expeditions against hostile Indians. Brevet Maj.-Gen. GEORGE CROOK, Lieutenant-Colonel Twenty-third Infantry, is assigned to the command of the District of Owyhee. He will be at liberty to change his headquarters to any post in his District. No military officer in the Military Division of the Pacific will make any treaty with Indians without special authority from Gen. HALLECK'S headquarters. All hostile Indians who may be captured or who may surrender will be held as unconditional prisoners of war, and be disposed of as may be hereafter directed. By direction of the President the following officers were recently detailed for a Board to relieve disabled officers, and were appointed to convene at San Francisco on the 15th of February or as soon thereafter as practicable for the examination of such officers as may be brought before it. Brevet Major-Gen. Irwin McDowell, President; Brevet Col. W. H. French, Lieutenant-Colonel Second Artillery; Brevet Lieut.-Col. Charles McCormick, Surgeon; Brevet Lieut.-Col. G. L. Kerby, Surgeon; and Brig.-Gen. J. C. Tidball, Captain Second Artillery, will constitute the Board, which will adjourn on the completion of the cases before it, until again called together by the Commanding-General. By order of Major-Gen. HALLECK, commanding the Military Division of the Pacific. Second Lieut. R. S. DENUSEY is detached as Recorder of the Board.

THE FORTIETH CONGRESS.

The Senate Republican caucus to-day nominated Senator WADE as President of the Senate *pro tem.* by acclamation. The election will take place to-day or to-morrow.

LIGHTHOUSES IN THE POTOMAC.

The Lighthouse Board has given notice that the upper and lower Cedar Point light-vessels will resume their stations in the Potomac River on the 30th inst., from which they were removed at the beginning of the Winter season. They will continue until cold-weather.

LIQUOR FRAUDS.

The Government has detected numerous liquor frauds in distilleries by means of a newly invented saccharometer, and in consequence several distilleries have been seized and closed. The saccharometer used is patented.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Friday, March 1.

Mr. POLAND presented the credentials of JUSTIN S. MORRILL, Senator-elect from Vermont, from March 4, 1867, to 1873. Ordered to be filed.

DUTY ON WOOL.

On motion of Mr. SHERMAN, the Finance Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the House bill to increase the duty on wool, and in lieu thereof reported a bill in the precise language of the wool sections of the Tariff Bill passed by the Senate.

Mr. SHERMAN, in explaining the bill, at the request of Mr. GRIMES, stated that as the Tariff Bill had been defeated in the House, he thought it advisable to get that part of it passed which related to the woolen interest.

Mr. TRUMBULL raised the point that the bill could not be considered on the day it was reported.

Mr. SHERMAN said this was not a report from a Committee. He moved to discharge the Committee, and then introduced a bill on his own responsibility.

The Chair decided that a bill might be taken up today, but it required unanimous consent to consider it.

The bill was taken up.

Mr. HENDRICKS objecting to its consideration, Mr. SHERMAN appealed to the Senate to take a vote and decide for or against the wool tariff.

Mr. CRESWELL asked if the Finance Committee had abandoned the rest of the Tariff Bill?

Mr. SHERMAN said he was not speaking for the Finance Committee, but if Senators desired to amend the bill by extending tariff on other articles, they could do so.

Several Senators inquired why not pass the House bill on the subject of wool.

Mr. FESSENDEN said that to pass the bill as it came from the House would be to abandon the rest of the tariff entirely by cutting off all chance of amendment. If the Senate agreed to the proposition of Mr. SHERMAN, it would go to the House and be amended there. The bill was read.

Mr. TRUMBULL said if any bill was to be passed he should greatly prefer the House bill. He had not had time to compare the House and Senate wool tariffs. His constituents were satisfied with the House bill, and he should therefore vote against any of the amendments. If the bill was amended it would go back to the House, and there perhaps the whole Tariff Bill would be put upon it as an amendment.

Mr. GRIMES said the intention of this movement was precisely what Mr. TRUMBULL intimated—to amend the bill by an increase of 20 per cent. on all articles.

Mr. SHERMAN moved, as an amendment to the House bill, the Senate provision in relation to carpets, in lieu of the House provisions.

Mr. TRUMBULL asked why not pass the House bill?

Mr. SHERMAN replied that he was in favor of doing so, but he did not believe there was a majority in the Senate with him.

Mr. CATTELL said he intended to offer an amendment, increasing the duties on all imported articles 20 per cent., except sugar, tea, molasses, coffee, lumber and railroad iron.

Mr. JOHNSON could not vote for the bill of the House, because to pass it would be to leave other interests, as deserving as the wool interest, entirely unprotected.

The Tariff Bill was laid aside at 1 o'clock, in accordance with an understanding arrived at last evening, that the vote on the Colorado Bill should be taken at that hour.

THE COLORADO BILL DEFEATED.

The bill to admit Colorado was taken up. The question was, shall it pass, the objections of the President notwithstanding.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Anthony, Cattell, Chandler, Conness, Cragin, Creswell, Fowler, Frelinghuysen, Henderson, Howard, Howe, Kirkwood, Lane, Morrill, Nye, Poland, Pomeroy, Ramsey, Ross, Sherman, Sprague, Stewart, Trumbull, Van Winkle, Wade, Wilkey, Williams, Wilson, Yates—29.

NAYS—Messrs. Buckalew, Cowan, Davis, Dixon, Doolittle, Edmunds, Fessenden, Foster, Grimes, Harris, Henderson, Johnson, McDougal, Morgan, Nesmith, Patterson, Riddle, Saulsbury, Sherman, Sprague, Stewart, Van Winkle, Willey, Williams, Wilson, Yates—24

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING—Messrs. Brown, Fogg, Guthrie, Sumner—4.

Less than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, the bill fails.

SUSPENSION OF RULES.

The customary orders suspending at this stage of the session certain rules requiring bills to be read in three separate days, was adopted.

THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE.

Mr. ANTHONY, from the Committee on Printing, reported a resolution to print 5,000 copies of the report of the Smithsonian Institute, which was allowed.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE BILL.

The Internal Revenue Bill came up as the unfinished business of last night.

Mr. WILSON offered an amendment that on and after the 1st of September next, the tax on cotton shall be two cents per pound.

Mr. HENDERSON moved as a substitute for Mr. WILSON'S amendment a provision that no tax should be levied on cotton grown after the passage of this act.

Mr. HENDERSON spoke in favor of the abolition of the cotton tax.

Mr. JOHNSON followed in a similar strain.

Mr. SPRAGUE said he had had experience in planting cotton within the past few years, and that he knew of no agricultural interest that offered such poor inducements as cotton.

The vote on Mr. HENDERSON'S amendment to abolish the tax on all future crops of cotton was as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Anthony, Buckalew, Davis, Dixon, Doolittle, Foster, Fowler, Henderson, Hendricks, Johnson, Nesmith, Patterson, Riddle, Saulsbury, Sherman, Sprague, Van Winkle, Willey, Williams—19.

NAYS—Messrs. Cattell, Conness, Creswell, Edmunds, Fessenden, Grimes, Harris, Kirkwood, Morgan, Nye, Pomeroy, Ramsay, Ross, Stewart, Sumner, Trumbull, Wade, Wilson, Yates—19.

So the amendment was lost.

The question was then on Mr. WILSON'S amendment to reduce the tax to 2 cents per pound.

To this Mr. POMEROY offered an amendment making a still further reduction to 1 cent.

Mr. SHERMAN said 2 cents a pound would hardly pay the expense of collecting the tax. It ought to be either 3 cents or nothing at all.

Mr. WILSON said the tax on cotton last year yielded $14,000,000. He thought it might bear a reduction of 2 cents, but not below that.

The amendment of Mr. POMEROY was agreed to by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Davis, Dixon, Doolittle, Fogg, Fowler, Henderson, Hendricks, Johnson, Lane, Nesmith, Patterson, Pomeroy, Riddle, Ross, Sprague, Stewart, Van Winkle, Willey, Williams, Wilson, Yates—21.

NAYS—Messrs. Anthony, Cattell, Chandler, Conness, Cragin, Creswell, Edmunds, Fessenden, Frelinghuysen, Harris, Howard, Kirkwood, Morgan, Nye, Poland, Sumner, Trumbull, Wade—18.

The question then recurred on adopting Mr. WILSON'S amendment as amended, so as to read, the tax on cotton shall be one cent per pound after the 1st of September next, which was adopted by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Cowan, Davis, Dixon, Doolittle, Fogg, Foster, Fowler, Henderson, Hendricks, Johnson, Nesmith, Patterson, Pomeroy, Riddle, Ross, Saulsbury, Sherman, Sprague, Stewart, Van Winkle, Willey, Williams, Wilson, Yates—24

NAYS—Messrs. Anthony, Cattell, Chandler, Conness, Cragin, Creswell, Edmunds, Fessenden, Frelinghuysen, Grimes, Harris, Howard, Kirkwood, Morgan, Nye, Sumner, Trumbull, Wade—18.

Mr. DIXON moved to put sewing-machines on the free list, which was disagreed to.

Mr. SHERMAN offered an amendment that tonnage duty on vessels shall be levied and paid annually, and when paid shall not be again assessed for a year, which was agreed to.

Mr. CATTELL moved to amend by inserting the words other than window-glass after the words in all manufactures of glass where they occur in a clause taxing such manufactures three per cent.

Mr. WILSON moved to put files and rasps on the free list. Disagreed to.

Mr. DAVIS moved to change the whisky tax so that it shall be $2 until October next, $1 50 until April, and $1 thereafter, which was disagreed to.

Mr. FOSTER moved to amend by striking out the administrative sections, the effect of which would be to remove the penalties for evading the Excise Laws, when it shall be evident there was no actual intention to defraud, and that the matter shall be decided as to this fact, by the Court where the case is tried, instead of by the Internal Revenue Department after the trial, which was disagreed to.

Mr. HOWARD offered an amendment that this act shall not effect suits commenced under former acts, &c., which was adopted.

Mr. FESSENDEN offered an amendment that no suit in equity or otherwise for the purpose of restraining the assessment of any tax, shall be maintained in any Court, which was agreed to.

Mr. FESSENDEN moved an amendment to include syrup and molasses with refined sugars, and the product of sugar refineries to be taxed one and a half per cent. *ad valorem*, which was agreed to.

The bill was then reported from the Committee of the Whole to the Senate, when it was an order to ask for a separate vote on any amendment already adopted in the Committee of the Whole.

On motion of Mr. HARRIS, the following section was stricken from the bill. It had been adopted in the Committee of the Whole.

SECTION 32. That Spirits of Turpentine may be transferred without payment of the tax to a bonded warehouse established in conformity with law and Treasury regulations under such rules and regulations, and upon the execution of such transportation, bonds, or other security, as may be prescribed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, and be there or thence subject to be taken by the Collector of the District from which such removal is made, and may be transported from such a warehouse to any bonded warehouse established as aforesaid, and may be drawn from bonded warehouse for consumption on payment of the tax, or removed for export to a foreign country without payment of tax, in conformity with the provisions of law relating to the removal of distilled spirits, all the rules, regulations and conditions of which, so far as applicable, shall apply to spirits of turpentine in bonded warehouses, and no drawback shall in any case be allowed upon any spirits of turpentine.

Mr. HOWARD asked a vote on striking horse rakes, horse powers, ladders, hames, scythe snathes, hay forks, hoes, and portable grinding mills from the free list.

The Senate refused to strike them out.

Potato hooks, pitchforks, manure, and spading forks were restored to the free list, as in the House bill. Leather of all kinds, and goat, deer, calf, kid, sheep, horse, hog, and dog skins, tanned or partially tanned, curried, finished, or in the rough, were stricken from the free list.

Mr. FESSENDEN asked for another vote on the proposition to reduce the cotton tax to one cent.

Mr. WILSON moved to amend the amendment, by making it two cents, and as amended, it was finally adopted.

Mr. NYE moved to amend the existing law in relation to the tax on gas companies, so that they shall be authorized to add the tax to price of existing contracts.

YEAS—Messrs. Cattell, Chandler, Dixon, Doolittle, Fessenden, Fogg, Fowler, Harris, Hendricks, Howard, Howe, McDougal, Morgan, Nye, Patterson, Pomeroy, Ramsay, Sprague, Stewart, Sumner, Trumbull, Van Winkle, Wade, Willy—24.

NAYS—Messrs. Anthony, Cattell, Chandler, Conness, Cragin, Davis, Edmunds, Foster, Frelinghuysen, Grimes, Kirkwood, Lane, Poland, Ross, Wilson—13.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. CONNESS, the vote by which legs of piano-fortes were placed on the free list was reconsidered, and these articles were stricken from the free list.

JUDGES OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Mr. TRUMBULL made a report from the Conference Committee for the allotment of Judges of the Supreme Court, which was agreed to. The Senate bill is adopted by the Committee of Conference, the House receding from its amendments.

Pending further consideration of the Tax Bill, the Senate went into Executive session.

EVENING SESSION.

The Executive Session adjourned at 5:15, and the Senate reassembled at 7:30.

MORGAN'S INDIANA AND OHIO RAID.

Mr. LANE called up a House resolution extending the jurisdiction of the Court of Claims so as to cover cases arising under receipts given for army stores by the Quartermasters of the army under Gen. LEW. WALLACE during the MORGAN raid into Indiana and Ohio.

Mr. POMEROY while approving of the resolution, thought it ought to be extended to cover cases arising out of the invasion of Kansas.

After the debate the resolution was passed, and goes back to the House for concurrence in verbal amendments.

NATIONAL CAPITAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

Mr. MORRILL made a report from the Conference Committee on the bill to incorporate the National Capital Insurance Company of Washington, which was agreed to.

INTERNAL REVENUE.

The Internal Revenue Bill was taken up.

Mr. DAVIS renewed his amendment reducing the tax on whisky, prospectively fixing it at $2 to the 1st of October next, $1 50 to the 1st of April of 1868, and $1 thereafter. Disagreed to by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Buckalew, Cowan, Davis, Fowler, Gaines, Hendricks, Nesmith, Patterson, Ross, Saulsbury, Sprague, Trumbull, Wade, Williams—14.

NAYS—Cattell, Cragin, Creswell, Dixon, Edwards, Fessenden, Fogg, Foster, Harris, Henderson, Howe, Kirkwood, Morgan, Morrell, Nye, Pomeroy, Ramsey, Sherman, Stewart, Sumner, Van Winkle, Wiley, Wilson.

Mr. CRESSWELL offered an amendment changing the tax on sheet lead, lead pipes and shot from 5 per cent. *ad valorem* to one-fourth of 1 per cent. per pound. The amendment was disagreed to.

Mr. SPRAGUE moved to include articles manufactured from cotton with articles manufactured from wool, on which a tax of 2½ per cent. *ad valorem* shall be levied, which was disagreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, and now goes to the House for concurrence in amendments.

CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS OF FORTIFICATIONS.

Mr. FESSENDEN called up the bill making appropriations for the construction, preservation and repairs of certain fortifications for the year ending June 1, 1868.

It appropriates the following sums: For Fort Scammel, Portland, Maine, $60,000; for Fort Georges, on Hog Island Ledge, Portland, Maine, $50,000; for Fort Winthrop, Boston, Mass., $50,000; for Fort Warren, Boston, Mass., $50,000; for the Fort at the entrance of New-Bedford, Mass., Harbor, $30,000; Fort Schuyler, East River, N. Y., $50,000; for the Fort at Willits' Point, opposite Fort Schuyler, N. Y., $50,000; for the fort on the site of Fort Tompkins, Staten Island, N. Y., $50,000; for the fort at Sandy Hook, N. J., $50,000; for the repairs at Fort Washington, on the Potomac River, $25,000; for Fort Monroe, Hampton Roads, Va., $50,000; for Fort Taylor, Key West and Florida, $50,000; for Fort Jefferson, Garden Key, Tortugas, $50,000; for Fort Clinch, Amelia Island, Florida, $25,000; for the fort at Fort Point, San Francisco Bay, California, $50,000; for the fort at Lime Point, California, $50,000; for the fort at Alcatraz Island, San Francisco Bay, California, $100,000; for Fort Preble, Portland Harbor, Maine, $50,000; for Fort McClay, Portsmouth Harbor, New-Hampshire, $50,000; for Fort Independence, Boston Harbor, Mass., $50,000; for the survey of the northern and northwestern Lakes, $155,000; for Fort Montgomery, at the outlet of Lake Champlain, $25,000; for the purchase and repair of instruments, $10,000; for the purchase of sites now occupied and lands proposed to be occupied for permanent sea coast defences, provided that no such purchase shall be made except upon the approval of its expediency by the Secretary of War, and of the validity of the title by the Attorney-General, $50,000; for the purchase of sites now occupied by temporary sea coast defences, provided that no such purchase shall be made except upon the approval of its expediency by the Secretary of War, and the validity of the title by the Attorney-General; $25,000 for the construction and repairs of barracks and quarters for engineer troops at the depot of engineer supplies near St. Louis, Mo.

The following section was stricken out of the bill as it came from the House:

SEC. 2. The there shall not be over 50 per centum of the foregoing appropriations expended during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1868, and the residue thereof shall not be expended till otherwise ordered.

Mr. WILSON offered an amendment, which was adopted, authorizing the detail of three officers of the army and three of the navy to test the power of resistance of stone fortifications against the heavy guns of the iron-clad navy.

Mr. MORGAN offered an amendment which was adopted, appropriating $250,000 for the construction of a barrack at Wilkes' Point, New-York, for the Engineer corps.

The bill was then passed.

NAVAL APPROPRIATIONS.

The Naval Appropriation Bill was then taken up. The important items of it were published in the House proceedings of Wednesday. The Committee recommended the striking out of a paragraph in the House bill directing the Secretary of the Navy to accept a deed of gift when offered by the State of Connecticut, of a tract of land on the Thames River, near New-London, Conn., with a water front not less than a mile in length, for naval purposes.

Mr. GRIMES moved to amend the amendment by authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to accept a title to a tract of land from any city or State or county to be used for naval purposes, provided such acceptance shall not imply any obligation on the part of the United States to occupy the same or expend money on it.

Mr. FOSTER moved to amend by adding that the principle herein contained shall apply to the occupation of League Island. [Laughter.] Adopted.

The amendment of Mr. GRIMES as amended was disagreed to, and the proposition to strike out the section of the House bill was disagreed to.

Mr. MORGAN offered an amendment, which was agreed to, appropriating $8,500 for the Naval Laboratory at New-York.

Mr. HENDRICKS offered an amendment authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to make a further exchange with the City of Brooklyn for some land lying between the Navy-yard and that city, which was adopted.

Mr. HENDRICKS moved to strike out the following proviso: Provided that the offices of Civil Engineer, Master Machinist, Master Carpenter, Master Joiner, Master Blacksmith, Master Rope-maker, Master Sail-maker, Master Plumber, Master Painter, Master Caulker, Master Laborer and Naval Storekeeper, be, and the same are hereby, established in connection with the Navy-yards at Kittery, Me., Charlestown, Mass., Brooklyn, N. Y., Philadelphia, Penn., and Washington, D. C., and that the persons selected to fill the several offices hereby established shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall have the immediate supervision and direction of the work to be performed in their several departments, with authority to select and discharge such workmen as the necessities of the public service may require, subject always to the approval of the commandant of the navy-yard to which they are attached.

Mr. GRIMES spoke in favor of striking this out, and, after further debate,

Mr. HOWE moved an amendment that the offices named shall be filled, whenever a vacancy may exist hereafter, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, which was agreed to.

The question was then on striking out the proviso as amended, and it was stricken out.

Mr. FESSENDEN moved an amendment that naval storekeepers shall hereafter be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Agreed to.

Mr. WILSON offered an amendment that no workingman in the Navy-yards shall be compelled to pay money for political purposes, or discharged for political opinions.

Mr. LANE moved to amend by requiring that money already paid by the workmen for elections shall be paid back, and no statute of limitations shall prevail. [Laughter.] Subsequently Mr. LANE said that as there was a difference of opinion among his political friends upon the subject of his amendment, he would withdraw it.

Mr. WILSON'S amendment was agreed to—Yeas 20, nays 9. The bill was then passed.

THE INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL.

Mr. SHERMAN moved to take up the Tariff Bill, which was under discussion this morning.

Mr. BUCKALEW moved to reconsider that vote by which the Senate passed the bill establishing a depot of education. The motion was disagreed to.

Mr. HENDERSON made a report from the Committee on Conference on the Indian Appropriation Bill, which was agreed to.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE BILL.

The Senate insisted on its amendment to the Internal Revenue Bill, and agreed to the conference asked for by the House.

THE ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL.

The Senate also insisted on its amendment to the Army Appropriation Bill, and agreed to a Committee of Conference.

JUDICIAL AND EXECUTIVE APPROPRIATION BILL.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Conference Committee on the Legislative, Judicial and Executive Appropriation Bill, made a report that the Committee had been able to agree on all the amendments, except those relating to the salaries of the District Judges, extra compensation of certain House employes, and increased salaries to certain employes of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SHERMAN, the Senate further insisted on its amendments, and called for another Conference Committee.

THE TARIFF BILL.

The Tariff Bill was resumed. The question was on adding to the bill composed of the wool sections of the measure now pending an amendment increasing the duties on all other articles, except tea, coffee, sugar, molasses, lumber, coal and railroad iron, twenty per cent., to go into effect ten days after date.

Without action, the Senate, at 12:30 o'clock, adjourned, to meet at 11 A. M. to-morrow.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

COMMITTEES OF CONFERENCE APPOINTED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Committees of Conference, as follows: On the Bankrupt Bill, Messrs. Jenckes, Dawes, and Dawson; on Compound-Interest Notes, Messrs. Price, Stevens, and Pomeroy; on the Transfer of the Indian Bureau, Messrs. Kasson, Schenck, and Woodbridge; on Reorganization of the Western Land Districts, Messrs. Julian, Donnelly, and Taber; on Supreme Court Allotment, Messrs. Wilson of Iowa, Williams, and Radford; on Indian Appropriation Bill, Messrs. Kasson, Windom, and Niblack; on Legislative Appropriation Bill, Messrs. Farnsworth, Woodbridge, and Eldridge.

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NEW PUBLICATIONS.

WOODBURN GRANGE. A Story of English Country Life. By WILLIAM HOWITT. Philadelphia: PETERSON.

WILLIAM HOWITT is one of the few veterans in literature who cherish in old age the healthy fondness for rural scenery and rural life which marked the productions of his earlier authorship. Familiar with English country life in all its phases, his works are the genial records of forms of society and developments of character in many respects unlike the rural communities of the United States. For complicated plots he substitutes a quiet growth far removed from the sensational, and interesting only to those who find pleasure in truth and nature. To those who remember his *Visits to Remarkable Places*, his *Rural Life of England*, and the other books on which his reputation mainly rests, it is hardly necessary to say that he is less of a novelist, in the popular sense of the term, than a graphic delineator and a faithful chronicler of conditions of society which derive much of their attractiveness from their contrast to our own. Himself a man of the people, sharing their struggles after emancipation from feudal forms, and sympathizing heartily with the progress of the English masses toward a higher civilization than comports with the dominion of a hereditary aristocracy, his stories rest upon a substratum of liberal thought and feeling which must always commend itself to American readers. *Woodburn Grange* exemplifies the traits of its author's character to which we have adverted. It can have no charms for those who imagine that a novel without marital infidelity is dull, and a story not tributary to lust intolerably insipid. It is what it purports to be, "A Story of English Country Life," with incidental and instructive glimpses of labor-life in a great manufacturing town, and of the contest which still goes on between the moneyed class born of thrifty industry and manufacturing enterprise and the fading representatives of an exclusive, territorial class. The story centres in the neighborhood of Nottingham, where WILLIAM HOWITT formerly plied the vocation of a dispenser of drugs. He was a Radical in those days, as he is still; battling in his *History of Priestcraft* against the pretensions of the established Church, and portraying the iniquities of the English game laws, as he continues to do in *Woodburn Grange*. His descriptions of scenery and home intercourse—of life among the rich, and battles for bread and air waged by the poor—of the progress made under the influence of liberal ideas—and of the relations of classes in a country where caste dominates almost as insolently as in Hindostan—are vivid and effective. We know of nothing more thoroughly English since GEORGE ELIOT's novels. And though, as we have said, we cannot recommend *Woodburn Grange* to the lovers of highly seasoned literature, its freshness and fidelity insure for it an extended welcome.

OUR MUTUAL FRIEND. By CHARLES DICKENS, with original illustrations by S. EYTINGE, Jr. Boston: TICKNOR & FIELDS.

This "Diamond Edition" of DICKENS has proved to be the leading success of the season, as may be inferred from the fact that during the month since the appearance of the initial volume—the *Pickwick Papers*—no less than nine thousand copies have been sold, and with each addition to the series the demand must, as a matter of course, increase. *Our Mutual Friend* is by far the most popular of the recent productions of DICKENS, and a proper appreciation of the taste of the novel reading public is shown by giving it the second place upon the list. Everything that was said in commendation of the *Pickwick Papers* may be repeated of *Our Mutual Friend*, for in all the details of typographical arrangement, one is the precise counterpart of the other. There is the same small, but clearly cut type, and the mechanical work of printing has been done with that conscientious care which was exhibited in the *Pickwick Papers*. Every reader of the story will testify to the accuracy with which Mr. EYTINGE has interpreted Mr. DICKENS' ideas. Some of the engravings lack force and individuality, but most of them reproduce the different characters with admirable fidelity. The "Bird of Prey," "Podsnappery," "Rogue Riderhood and Miss Pleasant at Home," and "Cherub and the Lovely Woman" are among the most felicitous illustrations ever given in any edition of DICKENS. Each succeeding volume of this series makes it more apparent that this is to be the popular edition of this popular author.

THE HUGUENOT GALLEY SLAVE. Being the autobiography of a French Protestant, condemned to the galleys for the sake of his religion. Translated from the French of JEAN MARTEILHE. New-York: LEYPOLDT & HOLT.

This little work has had a remarkable history. It is, as it purports to be, an actual autobiography. Originally published at Rotterdam in 1757, it was translated in the following year by OLIVER GOLDSMITH, who concealed his identity under the pseudonym James Willington. In a few years it passed out of print and was forgotten, until in 1864, when it came to the notice of a French *litterateur*, who republished it in Paris. The autobiographer is JEAN MARTEILHE, who was born at Bergerac, a small town in the Province of Perigord, in 1684. He was one of those unfortunates who failed to escape by flight from France the fearful penalties with which LOUIS XIV. threatened those Protestants who did not abjure their faith upon his infamous revocation, in 1665, of the edict of Nantes. In his seventeenth year, while attempting to escape from the French territory he was apprehended and sentenced to the galleys. The story of the hardships and sufferings which he endured and of the perils which he escaped during the thirteen years succeeding his sentence is told with that charming quaintness and simplicity which reproduces more vividly than an ambitious narrative could do the trials which martyrs to the faith then endured. There is, moreover, enough of adventure in the record to make the story, in parts, exciting as well as painfully interesting.

THE LAST WARNING CRY, with reasons for the hope that is in me. By Rev. JOHN CUMMING, D. D., F. R. S. E. New-York: G. W. CARLETON & Co.

Dr. CUMMING gives us the cheerful assurance that this work exhausts all he has to "write or say" on the fulfillment of prophecy. He adheres to the solution he has given "of the exhaustion of the great chronological epochs of prophecy as alike the most probable, the most satisfactory and the most fully justified by induction from events." He adds: "How soon after 1867 the Redeemer will return and take the kingdom, and reign over all the earth, I cannot say. But this I may say, we should *then*, if never before, have our lamps ready, and oil in our vessels, and our ears open to the voice that will be one day and may be any day heard sounding from the skies." This puts the whole matter in so indefinite a shape that Dr. CUMMING would have consulted his own reputation if, before uttering this "last warning cry," he had dismounted from his tripod and formally abjured the self-assumed character of a prophet. It is, however, a relief to know that we are to have no more of his dismal prognostications.

THE AMERICAN GARDENER'S ASSISTANT. In three parts, containing complete practical directions for the cultivation of vegetables, flowers, fruit trees and grapevines. By THOMAS BRIDGEMAN. New edition, revised, enlarged and illustrated. By S. EDWARDS TODD. New-York: WILLIAM WOOD & Co.

Mr. BRIDGEMAN is well known as a practical gardener and seedsman, and this volume, which embodies the results of his own experience and observations, has long been recognized as one of the most valuable of this very useful class of works. It is divided into three parts, the first being devoted to kitchen gardening, the second to directions for the cultivation of fruit, and the third to the flower garden. The illustrations are all practical, and they are sufficiently numerous to add to the value of the work, which has been brought down to the latest dates by careful revision.

OUT OF HARNESS. Sketches Narrative and Descriptive. By THOMAS GUTHRIE, D. D. New-York: ROBERT CARTER & BROTHERS.

Most, if not all, of the sketches in this volume originally appeared in a foreign religious publication of which Dr. GUTHRIE is editor. They comprise "Sketches of the Cowgate" with miscellaneous papers descriptive of the "Streets of Paris," &c., &c. All the papers are plain and unpretending in style, but they embody very many instructive facts, and a vein of religious sentiment runs through them which reflects the spirit in which they were written. The admirers of Dr. GUTHRIE will be interested to know that he will visit this county in April as one of a deputation from the Free Presbyterian Church of Scotland to the Presbyterian Churches of this country.

A ROSARY FOR LENT; OR, DEVOTIONAL READINGS, ORIGINAL AND COMPILED. By the author of "Rutledge." New-York: G. W. CARLETON & Co.

The title of this volume explains its character happily and completely. It contains passages of prose and poetry very judiciously selected from favorite religious authors, and is printed and bound in a style which will make it acceptable as a gift-book, while it is, of course, specially adapted to the season.

Literary Items.

—The "Agathynian Club," an organization of gentlemen having a passion for sumptuously printed volumes has just produced at the Bradstreet Press a *fac simile* reprint of the Sixth London edition of *Advice to the Officers of the British Army*. The work, which is attributed to Capt. GROSE, the author of several similar publications, is a very keen satire. It first appeared in London in 1783, and having run rapidly through several editions was in the same year republished in Philadelphia. It is now reproduced in a style which does credit to the well-known press from which it is issued. Not so much can be said for the manner in which it is edited. The preface is well enough, but the notes are neither wise nor witty, and taken together they may be set down as simply impertinent.

—A manual specially designed for the use of teachers, and which ought to be highly prized by all of that class who have any ambition to be thoroughly grounded in mathematical science, has just been published by Messrs. A. S. BARNES & Co. It is entitled *Outlines of Mathematical Science*, and is in fact an abridgement, with some modifications, by Prof. CHARLES DAVIS (long an instructor at West Point) of his own larger work, *Logic and Utility of Mathematics*. It is very clear in its explanations and definitions, and will be found exceedingly useful by all who are called on to give instruction in this branch of science.

Mr. A. J. JOHNSON, the enterprising publisher of "Carpenter's Emancipation Proclamation," has brought out a little book called *The Picture and the Men*, which is given to every purchaser of the engraving. It sketches the life of Mr. CARPENTER, and also gives brief accounts of the different members of Mr. LINCOLN'S Cabinet, who appear in the picture. The work, which is compiled by Mr. FRED. B. PERKINS, is an excellent key to the engraving.

—The sixtieth number of the *Rebellion Record* cannot be called very entertaining reading, since it is occupied for the most part with a summary of military legislation by Congress. Besides this, there are reports of the battle of Fredericksburgh, by Gens. LONGSTREET, ANDERSON, MCLAWS, &c., &c. As illustrations, steel engravings of President JOHNSON and Brevet Brig.-Gen. JAMES A. EKIN are given.

In the Word: The House of Israel, published by ROBERT CARTER & BROTHERS, the author of the *Wide, Wide World*, expands in a plain but attractive manner parts of the Old Testament Bible history. The dialogue form is assumed as the best adapted to the purpose aimed at, and illustrations are given where they can make the text clearer. The book is one which parents will be glad to put in the way of their children.

—Mr. ARTHUR J. PEABODY, a nephew of Mr. GEORGE PEABODY, has been admitted as a partner in the firm of CHARLES SCRIBNER & Co. Mr. PEABODY was formerly connected with a paper published in Zanesville, Ohio, but has for some months past been engaged in the educational department of the firm of which he has now become a member.

—Messrs. BLELOCK & Co. have published *A Practical Homœopathic Treatise on the Diseases of Women and Children*. The work is by HENRY MINTON, M. D., a well-known homœopathic physician in Brooklyn, and is intended "for intelligent heads of families and students in medicine."

—*Kaloolah*, an exciting novel, by Dr. W. S. MAYO, which was widely popular when it originally appeared, sixteen or seventeen years ago, has just been republished by Messrs. G. P. PUTNAM & SON. It will be new to nine-tenths of the present generation of novel readers.

—H. B. DURAND publishes *Readings for every day in Lent, compiled from the writings of Bishop Jeremy Taylor*. The work of compilation has been performed by the author of *Amy Herbert*, and other religious works which have been especially popular with the young.

—A new edition of STORMES' excellent manual, *Easy German Reading After a New System*, edited by EDWARD A. OPPEN, has just been issued by Messrs. LEYPOLDT & HOLT. Those who wish to learn to read this language will find an admirable help in this little book.

—*The Lady's Friend* (Philadelphia; DEACON & PETERSON,) for March contains the usual fashion plates, and continued stories by Mrs. HENRY WOOD and ELIZABETH PRESCOTT, and a variety of miscellaneous reading matter.

—The National Temperance Society has just published "A Collection of Temperance Chimes." It has been edited jointly by W. B. BRADBURY and J. N. STEARNS.

Army Tactics—Card from Brig.-Gen. Morris.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1867.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your issue of Sunday last appeared an article entitled "Upton's Tactics," in which occur the following words:

"It is true Gen. MORRIS claims to have brought forward a system of tactics, but his again are but a modification of Gen. CASEY's system, and are hardly as well adapted to the needs of the service as either CASEY or HARDEE."

Were I to suffer this statement to pass unnoticed, my silence might be construed into an admission of its correctness. I therefore desire to say through your columns that my book is far from being merely a simplification of CASEY's Tactics; for I claim to have been the first to systematise and publish the flank and successive movements derived from the experience of our armies in the field, and which constitute the important movements in my works published in 1863 and 1864.

That these movements were regarded by the Tactical Board at West Point as of too much consequence to omit in any useful system of infantry tactics, can be readily seen by any one curious enough to examine UPTON'S book, where my movements are reproduced with but slight changes in the lines of march and minor details, and such modifications as are necessary in order to apply to his cavalry method of forming fours. Indeed, so closely does he follow in my footsteps, that in a number of instances his diagrams would serve to illustrate my movements. But in order that the military critic may judge for himself, I give a list of my principal movements, with the pages where they are found in the second volume, and the pages of the corresponding ones in UPTON: Battalion Movements—"Forward into line," Morris, page 29; Upton, page 148. "Into line facing rear," Morris, 85; Upton, 149. "Close column by division," Morris, 67; Upton, 173. "Close column by division, left in front," Morris, 71; Upton, 174. "Close column by division, facing rear," Morris, 71; Upton, 174. "To march by fours," Morris, 78; Upton, 175. "To pass a defile in rear of the left flank," Morris, 106; Upton, 198. "To form oblique square," Morris, 113; Upton, 206. Brigade Evolutions—"Forward into line," Morris, 193; Upton, 259. "To form column on battalion," Morris, 193; Upton, 261. "To form column upon line facing rear," Morris, 193; Upton, 261. "To form line upon line facing rear," Morris, 193; Upton, 264. "Close column by division, left in front," Morris, 193; Upton, 260. "Close column by division," Morris, 193; Upton, 260. "To form a line of battalions in mass," Morris, 205; Upton, 265. "To form a line of battalions masses by inversion," Morris, 206; Upton, 267. "To form line of battalions in mass, facing rear," Morris, 211; Upton, 267. "To pass a defile in rear," Morris, 244; Upton, 267. "To relieve a command in action," Morris, 256; Upton, 268-9. "To form oblique square," Morris, 263; Upton, 269. Very respectfully yours,

WM. H. MORRIS.

SOUTHERN AFFAIRS.

LOUISIANA.

Rejection of the Amendments—The River Trade—The Labor Question.

From Our Own Correspondent.

NEW-ORLEANS, February, 1867.

You will have seen that the Legislature of Louisiana has rejected the amendments unanimously. This is not attributable to the example of other Southern States, but to the universal conviction that the Southern communities, in coming into the Union under such conditions, incur deliberately the exercise of a power inimical to them, and will be estopped from any complaint if they be treated with injustice. Besides, there is no guarantee that the amendments will be final, as Massachusetts seems as much dissatisfied with the moderation of the amendments as Carolina with their severity. We apprehend the reenactment of the "Act to Prevent the Growth of Popery," so modified as to convert the rising generation to the justice and mercy of the Radical policy. There is a reason, which is here repeated, why Louisiana cannot accept the amendments. They must result in an inevitable transfer of the State Government and many of its offices to the hands of a class certainly not prepared to exercise their duties. The negro nominations in the District of Columbia and the municipal elections of Massachusetts, prove that the principle of equal suffrage extends also to the tenure of office. Mr. CUTLER KING, on behalf of the loyalists now in Washington, has projected an enabling act which extends the right of suffrage without regard to race or color. It restricts qualification for office by a strict test-oath, but, with a disregard of logic which no sincere Abolitionist will tolerate, limits competency to hold State offices to "persons of European descent." This shows that the anxiety to hold office, and even the thirst for party vengeance, is subordinate to an apprehension that the liberation of negro suffrage may deprive its donors of the very object for which it is to be bestowed. With the negro majority in so many parishes, there is no man bold enough to give the local or State Governments to a constituency so incompetent. You have only to suppose the effect of repealing all disqualifications of non-residence and alienism would be to give the local and State offices of New-York to an army of immigrants and the Arabs of the Five Points, to realise the unwillingness of this people to consent to such consequences. Notwithstanding the principle that all men are equal, there are no civilized people who do not set some value upon citizenship, or who are willing that their Government shall be directed by any who demand to manage it on the simple qualifications that they are male human beings. The very limitation of age and sex being a violation of the principle. The Union Party of Louisiana, many of whom are within the severest test of loyalty, see these consequences of suffrage extension too clearly to be caught. They remember that when the horse would conquer the stag and have the whole pasture to himself, that he invoked the aid of man, but that he has never since been able to rid himself of the halter and bridle which were necessary to the subjugation of his rival. The Union men of Louisiana perceive this inevitable tendency. They foresee that when the distribution of office takes place many must be held by those who were but lately their slaves, and though many of them entertain an intense hatred of "rebels," it by no means tends to reconcile them to political bondage. Hence the unanimity of the vote rejecting the Amendments. It is proper to say, therefore, that the Southern white people are divided into two parties; one is inclined to enter the Union, but regards the Amendment as an experienced rat would the toasted cheese on the trigger of a dead-fall. It is attractive, but uncertain in its consequence. The other looks upon the Union as a crater, a leap into which would be—perdition. So the political wars of the past six months have crowded together Union men and "rebels" who consider the Federal future entirely too uncertain to justify action.

THE RIVER TRADE.

It is not peculiar to the Southern people to rely upon natural advantages as a substitute for artificial agencies. The recent freeze in the upper rivers should have brought a much larger supply of Western provisions to our market, but the upper waters were frozen so that trade could not move by water at all. There we mainly experienced the want of through rail to the upper river cities, because from Cairo the navigation is always good. The Illinois Central Railroad works in connection with the river, but we get no all-rail freights from Cincinnati or St. Louis to Cairo. This defect in our communications has enhanced to our people the cost of Western provisions at a time when employment being diminished by the same cause they were least able to afford it.

The administration of the New-Orleans and Jackson Railroad has had its attention turned to this subject, and is said to be arranging a time and freight schedule for trade with St. Louis. This facility would be of great advantage to our merchants and people. It would prevent serious fluctuations in Western commodities, and enable New-Orleans to supply the North with provisions, even for exportation, when the cross routes and upper rivers are disabled by ice. With the inevitable progress of the age these facilities will be adopted.

THE LABOR QUESTION.

Aware that these letters repeat subjects deemed of national importance, and only desirous they shall be regarded as a correct chronicle, it will not be improper to refer to the labor question. After all, much both of product and price depends on the quantity of labor applicable to cotton culture, and this again on the disposition of the laborers.

The Government of the United States and the New-York Press have dignified this interest with an account current of the progress and prospect of the crop.

Such indeed is the importance in aiding to regulate the value of currency, that every one is now looking with interest to the compared cost of production here and elsewhere. The statistics are reported and published, but there are moral causes which influence productions that may not be reduced to figures. The chief is the indisposition of the freedmen to close and continued industry. In vain you enumerate the laborers, or calculate the area devoted to production. The moral motive to labor constitutes such a per centage of result as to disturb calculation and make the yield fall short of or exceed the sum total based on mere physical elements of computation. Take then the report of the Freedmen's Bureau of Galveston, Texas, for the present month. Observe the moral obstacles to cotton production to be inferred from the exhortations to the freedmen. Note the discouragement attributed to improvident contracts with adventurers whose only capital is the credulity of the negro. It is not necessary that a Southern writer should add any assertions to show that the freedmen cannot be expected to produce the quantity of cotton which a like number of laborers would have done under settlement system. So far from our having *free* labor, it is shown by the report to be very unwillingly applied. The report says:

"It seems that much loss in time and wages has resulted to the freedmen from their engaging to persons of insufficient capital and experience; therefore, all Sub-Assistant Commissioners and agents of this Bureau are directed to earnestly advise them to prefer making contracts with responsible parties, having in view the certainty of receiving the promised recompense for their service, rather than extravagant promises which are almost sure to fall of fulfillment."

It is not necessary to intimate that all these "persons of insufficient capital and experience" are from the North. The fact remains that such an evil does exist; its influences in discouraging the freedman is undoubted. Suppose an amateur planter pitches a cotton crop. His laborers discover he wants experience. The crop is transferred during the season. They suspect a want of capital, and worse, of integrity. Can any men, white or black, be expected to labor as constantly when their compensation is so uncertain? The merely Olympic contest to see who can make the most bales to the acre will never take place under such circumstances. That such is the state of facts is proven by the document quoted.

Then there is a great disposition among the freedmen to visit the cities and towns. Indeed, there is a tendency among all people to live with as little labor as possible. To this is added the fact that the negro has been so much accustomed to be thought for that he still relies upon those who have his confidence for employment. This throws the negro into menial occupations, and he resorts chiefly to our towns and villages to obtain them for himself and family. There are other motives even less meritorious; but we cite the following extract to prove that idleness, extravagance and the aggregation of negroes in towns and villages is an evil requiring the most serious reprehension of the Bureau. The assistants are instructed to

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SOUTH CAROLINA.

Bureau of Immigration—Gen. Wagner Appointed Commissioner—Plan of Proceeding.

From Our Own Correspondent.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1867.

At its last session the Legislature of South Carolina passed an act for the encouragement and protection of European immigration. The act provides also for the appointment of a Commissioner of Immigration and several agents. Ten thousand dollars were appropriated from the contingent fund to be applied to defraying the expenses of this measure—the salary of the Commissioner, ($1,500,) traveling expenses, advertising, &c. The Commissioner has recently been appointed under the act, Gen. JOHN A. WAGNER being the party, his office to be in Charleston. The act makes it the duty of the Commissioner to advertise in all the newspapers of this State for lands that are for sale; to lay off, plot, describe and appraise such lands; to verify their titles through the Attorney-General or Solicitor of the State, making the right and title clear; to open books for the registration of the same, together with the prices demanded and the conditions of payment; and, in case an immigrant selects such lands, to superintend the transfer of title and other necessary instruments and proceedings of conveyance. He thus acts as complete intermediary agent between the sellers of lands and the immigrant-purchasers. The Commissioner is further required to publish periodically, advertise, and cause to be distributed in the Northern European ports and States, descriptive lists of such lands as have been registered and offered for sale, together with the act, and a statement of such advantages as this State offers in soil, climate, productions, social improvements and advantages generally to the industrious, orderly, sober and frugal European immigrant. The Commissioner is to carry out these results through his agents, whose fields of operation and duties are under his own supervision and control. As, on the one hand, this Commissioner is required to protect landowners from fraud and imposition, so also is he specially charged with the protection of the immigrants in the proper selection of their lands, in arranging for transportation, in guarding them against fraud, chicanery and peculation, in their temporary location in proper and reasonable places of board and lodging on their arrival in Charleston, and in making all such regulations and provisions as may be in any way necessary for their safety or conducive to their welfare. All other officers of the State are required by the same law to aid and assist him in the objects under his charge whenever he may call upon them to do so. He is further required to keep a separate book, in which he must register all applications from citizens, free of charge, for immigrant artisans, mechanics, farmers, or help of any kind, (such as servants,) together with the kind of service required and the compensation offered; and another book, in which he must record the names, crafts and qualifications of immigrants that are looking for employment. He must also make memoranda of such contracts as shall be made under these regulations. The Commissioner is also required to report the results of his labors to every annual session of the Legislature, and to the Governor as often as he shall call for it.

Thus it will appear that the Commissioner of Immigration is constituted an intermediary agent between the European immigrant on the one hand and the citizen of the State, who is willing to make room for the foreigner on the other.

Gen. WAGNER, in pursuance of the provisions of the act, has just issued his circular, dated "South Carolina Bureau of Immigration, Charleston," in which he states that in a few days agents will be appointed to proceed to Europe, whose especial and only duty it will be to induce immigration to this State, to disseminate such information as may be furnished them of lands for sale or lease, and to engage such laborers, mechanics, servants and other help as may be desired by the citizens of the State. An agent for the same object will also be sent to New-York.

The Commissioner also calls upon the people of the State to be prompt in sending him information of what kind of service they desire to engage from Europe, and what they are willing to pay for the same; of what lands they are willing to sell or rent or lease, and for how much they will charge for the same, and the conditions. He further suggests that the people of the several districts (counties) hold meetings at their respective Court-houses, to agree upon rates and general terms, and to act as much as practicable in concert; and advises that, whenever practicable, they will advance a portion of the expenses of the immigrants they offer to employ.

A pamphlet will be printed in several European languages—French, German, Swedish, Dutch and Italian, especially—for distribution in those countries, describing the capacities and advantages of our soil, climate, productions, &c., in which pamphlet such particulars as shall be promptly furnished, will be included.

Such is the initiation of the scheme of immigration which is hoped to relieve our people from many of the fatal inconveniences that result from the present character of labor among us. It is expected to fill up our deserted fields with honest, industrious, frugal and healthy laborers; while the negro, of course, must retire before the more enterprising spirit of his competitor. Unfortunately the present year is too far advanced to derive any advantages in the domain of agriculture from the scheme for this year; but the time is ample to provide for 1868, and before then the negro must return to the fields he has so precipitately abandoned for better prom

EXECUTION OF WAGNER.

The Murderer's Conduct Before the Execution.

Scenes and Incidents at the Gallows.

Terrible Death by Strangulation.

GEORGE WAGNER, who murdered his wife on the 21st of July last, and was convicted of the crime by the Court of General Sessions, was hanged at 9:16 o'clock yesterday morning in the Tombs. WAGNER, it will be remembered, killed his wife by cutting her head open with an ax. The deed was not witnessed by any one except the parties themselves, and the precise cause which led to the commission of the murder is unknown.

After his conviction by the Court of Sessions a writ of error was obtained and the case was taken to the Court of Appeals, but the sentence of the lower court was confirmed. An ineffectual appeal was then made to Gov. FENTON for a commutation of the sentence, but His Excellency declined to interfere.

Since his trial and conviction, WAGNER made no positive confession of his guilt, although he frequently stated that he had been for years subject to fits of frenzy, and that if he committed the murder with which he was charged, the crime was done while he was laboring under one of these aberrations of mind. WAGNER was of gentlemanly appearance and bearing. In height about five feet eight inches, and having by no means an unprepossessing countenance. Born in Germany, and having the advantages of a good education, he spoke French and German with equal fluency. His wife was a native of France. She is said to have been of a coquettish disposition, and to have been possessed of a most violent temper.

THE NIGHT BEFORE THE EXECUTION.

WAGNER has been in prison nearly twenty months, and during the last year his health had given way and consumption had evidently made sad inroads on his constitution. As usual in the case of men under sentence of death, WAGNER was permitted, on Thursday evening and the evening previous, to enjoy the freedom of the corridor—a privilege which he exercised, however, but to a limited extent. On Thursday night he came from the cell, and taking a seat by the stove, had a conversation of nearly one hour's duration with Father DURANQUET, his spiritual adviser.

Although he appeared to be very calm and resigned to the fate which awaited him, there were many evidences, in his looks and manner, of physical and mental infirmity. The conversation was mostly on religious matters, although to one or two of the Deputy Sheriffs, who were present, the condemned man addressed a few friendly words. At 11 o'clock he retired, and slept quite soundly until 2 o'clock yesterday morning, after which time, until 5:30 o'clock, he was favored only with broken sleep. At that hour Father DURANQUET entered the cell and requested WAGNER to arise and dress himself, preparatory to visiting the chapel.

THE MORNING OF THE EXECUTION.

He at once rose and dressed himself in a suit of black specially prepared for him and drew on a pair of white gloves. One hour later he went to the chapel, accompanied by Father DURANQUET, Deputy Sheriffs SMITH and COFFIN, and Ex-Keeper MARK FINLEY. Here the sacrament was administered to him. At the conclusion of this ceremony WAGNER returned to his cell, where he was visited by Sheriff KELLY, who wished him good morning, and asked him how he felt. He replied that he felt very well. To which the Sheriff responded, "That's right WAGNER; try and keep up good spirits." WAGNER said he would endeavor to do so, and assured the Sheriff that he was prepared to die. After sitting by the heater in the corridor for a few moments he was provided with breakfast of broiled fish, coffee and hot rolls, of which he partook heartily. After breakfast Rev. Father MCKENNA and others visited the condemned man and bid him good-bye. The approach of the hour of execution did not seem to daunt him, and he bore up much better than had been expected. At 8:30 Sheriff KELLY, attended by the following Deputy Sheriffs, came to the prison to perform the duty which it was his lot to execute:

John F. Cummings, Under Sheriff,	John Caffrey,
Thomas H. Ferris,	Thomas Dunlap,
John McKeon,	John Lyst,
John W. Thorpe,	Wm. Dunham,
Bernard Reilly,	Isaiah Rynders,
John Lynch,	Andrew L. Byrne,
Daniel Gillespie,	Daniel Moore,
Henry McGonegal,	Wm. Moore,
Joseph Cornell,	Henry Murphy,
	George Isaacs.

The Sheriff, on entering WAGNER'S cell, told him that the sentence of the law was about to be executed, and that he would do well to make his final preparations. The Sheriff then withdrew for a short time, and on his return WAGNER'S arms were pinioned and the noose adjusted to his neck. WAGNER still preserved the same imperturbable demeanor, and except a slight twitching of the lips, he manifested the same absence of emotion as heretofore. He continued to repeat, in answer to the questions occasionally addressed to him, that he did not look for pardon, that he was sorry for what he had done, and that he was prepared to die.

THE PROCESSION TO THE GALLOWS.

The preliminaries having been perfected, the procession to the gallows was formed, and proceeded thereto in the following order:

Capt JOURDAN, Sixth Precinct Police.
Fathers DURANQUET and DUTCHELLER.
The condemned and Sheriff KELLY.
Deputy Sheriffs.

The procession moved slowly along the prison walk to the gallows, where Fathers DURANQUET and DUTCHELLER, with WAGNER between them, stepped upon the platform, and immediately upon the noose dangling from the beam above.

THE GALLOWS

was erected near the gateway opening into Franklin-street. It was covered by a canvas awning to prevent prisoners in the Tombs and persons on the tops of adjoining buildings from witnessing the execution. The apparatus was adjusted by ISAACS, the professional executioner.

THE EXECUTION.

On reaching the gallows the attending priests knelt for prayer, with WAGNER between them. The condemned man bore a crucifix in his hands, which he repeatedly kissed, while the priests performed their solemn duties. The scene at this time was exceedingly impressive, and, despite the heavy rain which was falling, every head was bared, and every spectator seemed influenced by the solemnity of the occasion. Sheriff KELLY, notwithstanding his long official experience, was very much affected. The religious devotions occupied three or four minutes, at the expiration of which WAGNER arose, and when asked if he desired to say anything, responded in the negative. The priests then shook hands with him, as also did Sheriff KELLY.

The executioner now stepped forward and adjusted the noose to the neck of the condemned; he then quickly drew the black cap over WAGNER'S face. Sheriff KELLY waved his sword, a heavy thud was heard, and WAGNER'S body sprung into the air, many of the spectators at the same time turning away to avoid witnessing his dying struggles. Owing to some wrong adjustment of the weights and pullies, WAGNER'S neck was not broken, and for nearly five minutes the body writhed in apparent agony. The hands were strongly clenched and the legs drawn up, while the bosom heaved and the head was jerked from side to side. Gradually, however, the fearful contortions ceased, and at about 9:29 the body was partially lowered. There was still some palpable pulsation, and the body was permitted to hang ten minutes longer, when, the physicians having pronounced WAGNER dead, it was deposited in the rope and placed in a coffin of cherrywood. The doctors, on examining the neck of the body, found it was not broken, and that the deceased died of strangulation. The verdict of the Jury was rendered in accordance with this statement.

The remains were given into the charge of Father DURANQUET, who, in accordance with the last request of the condemned man, will have them buried in Greenwood Cemetery, beside those of the murdered wife.

PAST EXECUTIONS.

The executions which have taken place at the Tombs for the past sixteen years are as follows:

Benson and Douglass	July	25, 1851
Aaron Stokey	Sept.	19, 1851
Otto Grunzig	Feb.	27, 1852
Patrick Fitzgerald	April	18, 1852
William Sadler	Jan.	28, 1853
Joseph Clark	Feb.	11, 1853
James L. Hoare	Jan.	27, 1854
John Dorsay	July	17, 1857
James Rogers	Nov.	12, 1858
James Stephens	Feb.	3, 1860
John Crimmins	March	30, 1860
Nathaniel Gordon	Feb.	21, 1862
William H. Hawkins	June	27, 1862
Bernard Friery	Aug.	17, 1866
Frank Ferris	Oct.	19, 1866
George Wagner	March	1, 1867

OBITUARY.

Mr. Amor J. Williamson.

Mr. AMOR J. WILLIAMSON, Tax Commissioner and proprietor of the New-York *Dispatch*, died in New-Orleans, La., on Thursday last. Mr. WILLIAMSON had been in poor health for more than a year past, and had visited the South for the benefit of a milder climate.

The deceased was born on the 10th of April, 1823, in Lancaster County, Penn., and was early apprenticed to the printing business. After many vicissitudes of fortune, in 1845 he started the *Star* newspaper, which proved unsuccessful. In connection with Messrs. BURNS and WATSON, he then started the *Dispatch*, and soon afterward entered political life. In 1853 he was elected Alderman of the Second Ward, and subsequently was appointed Tax Commissioner. In 1858 he ran for Congress. The contest was very close, and Gen. STEARNS finally obtained the seat. In 1860 he ran again, but was defeated.

At the time of his death Mr. WILLIAMSON held the office of Tax Commissioner, and was Chairman of the Union Republican Committee. He leaves a widow and four children.

Nursery and Child's Hospital.

The thirteenth anniversary of the Nursery and Child's Hospital was celebrated yesterday in the hall of the institution, corner of Fifty-first-street and Lexington-avenue. Rev. JOHN COTTON SMITH presided. After prayer, the annual report was read, showing that there have been admitted to the institution—

Women with children	108
Women for confinement	196
Children	307
Number of births	101
Present number of inmates:	
Children	208
Adults	104
Total	312

Of the women admitted for confinement, twenty-four remain, thirty-eight have returned to their homes, and twenty-two have been provided situations as wet-nurses; eighteen with other situations. Four have died.

A collection of $10,000 has been made toward the building fund, thus entitling the institution to claim from the State the sum of $10,000 more, appropriated by the Legislature to the Nursery and Child's Hospital under that condition. The building which the Managers hope to erect will cost $27,000.

From the Treasurer's report it appears that the receipts during the past year from all sources, were $54,171 99; the expenditures $54,100 83, leaving a balance of $71 16. The amount of unpaid bills was $4,654 13.

During the year 578 sick children have been cared for. Of these 441 recovered and 126 died, leaving 12 at present under treatment.

After the reading of the report addresses were made by Rev. Mr. HOTT and Hon. ERASTUS BROOKS. The latter gentleman gave an interesting account of the origin of the institution, and also of a similar institution founded in Paris fifty years ago by the Marchioness PASTORET.

After exercises by the children the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Cornelius DuBois, First Directress; Mrs. T. C. Doremus, Second Directress; Mrs. Henry Anthon, Third Directress; Mrs. Stoughton, Treasurer; Mrs. Lemist, Secretary; Miss Rachel Hunter, Assistant Secretary.

A Card from Mr. Borst.

NEW-YORK, Friday, March 1, 1867.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

DEAR SIR: An article appeared in the TIMES of this morning, stating the arrest of ADOLPHUS BORST. The name of the party arrested was ADOLPHUS BORSCHT, and not ADOLPHUS BORST, (Ex-Deputy United States Marshal.) Please publish this correction and oblige

Yours respectfully,
ADOLPHUS BORST,
No. 187 Mulberry-street, Fourteenth Ward.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

THE RECENT RAILROAD ACCIDENT ON FLATBUSH-AVENUE.—Coroner SMITH commenced an inquest yesterday into the circumstances attending the death of PATRICK ROONEY, caused by being caught between two cars of the Greenwood and Fifth-avenue line, in Flatbush, near Atlantic-avenue, about 8 o'clock on the morning of the 27th inst. The first witness, *Henry Fisher*, a driver on the Flatbush-avenue route, testified that while on the way to Flatbush two cars of the Fifth-avenue line were ahead of him; he was about ten yards behind; the deceased was between the two tracks engaged in cleaning out the sewer; he had a rope in his hand at the time, when both cars passed him; saw him struck by the rear end of one of the cars; neither of the Greenwood cars stopped. FISHER stepped off to see what the matter was, leaving the man sitting on the curb-stone. On his return trip he saw the man was dead. He could identify neither of the drivers, as his attention was fixed upon the injured man.

Patrick Gilder, who worked with deceased, testified that two Greenwood cars met at the place where they were at work; deceased was between the car tracks, lowering a bucket into the sewer mouth; witness saw the cars, and stepped off the track; deceased could have seen the cars if he had looked around; after the cars had passed, asked deceased if he had been caught between them; he said he had, but was not hurt; in ten minutes thereafter witness moved from another manhole, and the party, including deceased, kept at work for an hour; he then spit up a mouthful of blood, and went to the sidewalk, where he sat down; a physician was sent for, but deceased was dead when he arrived; witness did not hear the drivers of the cars call out to deceased, or break up.

Sister Ardell, a laborer, testified that he was in the manhole at the time, engaged in filling a bucket, but did not knew of the accident until some one hallooed down and told him.

Louis Bauer, M. D., testified to making a post-mortem examination on the body of deceased at the Deadhouse on the 28th inst.; found very little external injuries; there was some discoloration and slight bruises about the chest; on opening the chest, found the left side filled with blood; also found that the left lung had been torn, the blood evidently coming from the rent; there were no other injuries to the chest; it was a peculiar case—one that could not have occurred but for the pleural attachments that existed between the respective lungs on the walls of the chest, being the results of former pleurisy; think when she deceased was hemmed in between the two cars, passing each other in different directions, that the breast was somewhat twisted, and in that moment some of the bands above were, being engaged; was satisfied the deceased came to his death from a rent of the left lung, causing hemorrhage, compression of the right lung, and displacement of the heart; and it is further my opinion that the injury was produced by a forcible compress on of the chest, caused by the passing cars.

James Nichol testified that deceased had been in his employ for one year, engaged in cleaning sewers; had seen men working in the streets when two cars passed each other; had himself stood in the same position; but a man could not stand crosswise in a stooping position between the two tracks without danger of being struck, but could stand facing the direction from which the cars were coming; witness thought the space between the tracks was about four feet, and with a car on each track there was about three feet clear room; the hole where the deceased was hurt was directly in the centre of the two tracks; thought it reckless for car-drivers to drive past men at work without giving them notice; had always heard them give notice; had seen men at work between the tracks hoisting buckets from the sewers, when two cars passed in opposite directions without touching them.

Several car-drivers were called, but as none would acknowledge that they knew anything about the matter, the inquest was adjourned until Monday next at 1 o'clock P. M.

THE EXCISE LAW—THE CASES DISPOSED OF YESTERDAY.—The following cases of violation of the Excise Law were disposed of before Justice CORNWELL yesterday: CHARLES ECKSTEIN, the keeper of a lager-bier saloon in Court, near Amity-street, was placed on trial before a Jury, on the charge of keeping his place open after midnight. Several witnesses were examined who proved that they were present when the doors were closed. Three or four looked at their watches, and found that it was from 5 to 7 minutes before 12 o'clock. The proprietor told them it was time to go, and they left by the hall door, which was then locked. They remained in the hall for some time, where they were observed by a policeman. The officer made no attempt to arrest the proprietor that night, but procured a warrant next morning and took him before the Court, when he waived examination, and the case came up yesterday. The evidence being clearly in favor of the defendant, the Jury rendered a verdict of not guilty and he was discharged.....Two musicians named JAMES JOYCE and ALBERT KOHLER, attached to the garrison at Fort Hamilton, as musicians, were arraigned on the charge of selling liquor without license. They waived examination, and gave bail to appear for trial at the Court of Sessions....DUDLEY BULGER, keeping a saloon on the corner of Nostrand and Myrtle avenues, was tried on the charge of keeping his place open after midnight. The offence not being proved, he was acquitted.....JOHN DOSCHER, keeper of a lager-beer saloon, corner of Madison and Bedford avenues, was fined $30 for selling liquor without license.....PETER QUINN, keeping at the corner of Jay and Water streets, was fined $30 for keeping his place of business open after midnight....MARIA HODSON, of No. 203 Jay-street, was tried for selling beer without a license. It was shown that she kept a beer-pump in her bed-room, from which she supplied her neighbors. She was fined $50.

BURGLARIES.—AN OLD LADY ROBBED.—A man named PATRICK DONOHUE was arrested yesterday, on the charge of having, in connection with another man, perpetrated a burglary in December last. It appears that early on the morning of the 22d of that month, two men in a wagon drove up to the house of a lady, named MARGARET RILEY, aged about 60 years, who lives by herself on the Clove-road. They knocked at the door, but were refused admittance, when they attempted to force it open. The old lady became frightened, and escaping out of a rear window fled to a neighbors' house. Before she reached her destination, she saw the men carrying her trunk from the house, and placing it in the wagon, drove off at a rapid rate. The contents of the trunk are estimated at about $30 in value. Suspicion fell upon the accused from the description given of him by Mrs. RILEY, and a warrant was issued for his arrest, but he kept out of the way until yesterday, when he was taken into custody, and brought before Justice CORNWELL, at the City Hall, who, finding sufficient evidence to hold the accused to answer, committed him to prison in default of bail in the sum of $1,000. Another man was also arrested charged with being implicated in the burglary, but was discharged, there not being sufficient evidence to hold him. The examination was had on Thursday, on the complaint of Henry DUNCAN, residing in Kent-avenue, who charges accused with having feloniously entered his house on the night of the 26th inst. MOORE was taken before Justice CORNWELL, and committed for examination.

CHARGE OF MISDEMEANOR.—Dr. ALFRED LEWIS, whose bills and placards are posted in conspicuous places in all parts of the city, was yesterday arrested at his office in New-York by Officer WM. H. FOLK, of the City, on the charge of misdemeanor. The bills set forth that he can cure a certain class of diseases. A crippled soldier had been employed by him to do the posting, and, being detected, stated that he was unaware of having violated any law, but simply desired to do something by which he could support himself. He was consequently released, and the doctor was taken into custody. Accused was brought before Justice CORNWELL, and held to bail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

THE LANDS IN THE WALLABOUT.—The Mayor of Brooklyn, Hon. SAMUEL BOOTH, and Alderman WHITING, who have been absent at Washington for some time, have returned, and it is understood have made arrangements with the Government to the effect that a strip of land 240 feet wide, extending from Washington-avenue to Wallabout Bay, shall be ceded to the United States in exchange for a portion of land of similar extent between Washington-avenue and Hamilton-street. If this agreement is confirmed, the city will be enabled to construct a basin of 900 feet in width, with a water front of 600 feet, for dockage purposes.

VIOLENT ASSAULT ON A POLICEMAN.—Officer STRANG, of the Forty-fourth Police Precinct, was severely beaten by a gang of disorderly persons, who had congregated about the railroad transfer office, corner of Classon and Flushing avenues, on Thursday evening. The policeman attempted to quell the disturbance by the arrest of one of the most turbulent of the party, named WM. ANDERSON, when the crowd rescued him, and taking the officer's club, beat the latter in so brutal a manner that he was scarcely able to reach the Station-house. ANDERSON was subsequently arrested and committed to answer.

SEIZURE OF DISTILLERY PROPERTY.—An action was brought in the United States District Court, before Judge BENEDICT, on Thursday, for the confiscation of the distillery property of JAMES LYNCH, whose establishment is situated on the corner of Bridge and Front streets, on the charge of having made false returns, and of having largely increased the capacity of his stills without notifying the revenue authorities. The property is valued at $5,000. After a thorough investigation, the case was given to the jury, yesterday, and a verdict in favor of the Government was rendered.

BROOKLYN FIRES IN FEBRUARY.—The total number of fires in this city during the month of February, as reported by Fire-Marshal LAWRENCE, was 21, involving an aggregate loss of about $8,000. The amount of insurance on the property was $23,500.

BROOKLYN CITY COURT, MARCH 1.—Nos. 1 to 20 inclusive.

NEW-JERSEY.

MEETING OF LIQUOR DEALERS.—The liquor dealers of Hudson County met pursuant to adjournment at the American Hotel, Jersey City, the officers of the previous meeting presiding. The good effects attending the closing of the saloons during the hours of divine service, which commenced on last Sabbath, was the subject of much encomium on the part of those present, and it was resolved to continue the practice. A resolution was adopted to the effect that any liquor dealer who fails to comply with this rule shall be expelled from the Association. A committee was appointed in each township in the County to report at all violations of the rule. A committee was also appointed to prepare rules for the permanent organization, to report at the next meeting, to be held on Thursday, 7th inst.

SEIZURE OF LIQUOR.—The Captain of the Hoboken Police yesterday morning seized two barrels found standing on the walk in front of the vinegar factory, corner of Garden and Fourth-st., and on which the revenue had not been paid. Measures were taken to secure the confiscation of the liquor seized.

THE HOBOKEN FERRY INVESTIGATION.—The Joint Committee of the New-Jersey Legislature visited the Hoboken ferries, on the Jersey side, yesterday, to inspect the ferry-houses, boats, &c. It is not known what conclusion they came to, but it is expected they will report early next week.

LAW REPORTS.

Still Another Distillery Forfeited.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—EASTERN DISTRICT.

Before Judge Benedict and a Jury.

The United States vs. *Two Steam Pumps and Other Articles.*—This was an action to forfeit a distillery for running in violation of the Internal Revenue Laws. The evidence for the Government showed that the place was seized on the 3d of January last. The distillery was in Clinton-avenue, and was owned by John Geyer, the claimant. He had made application for an Inspector, and one had been nominated by the Collector, and his name sent to Washington, but his appointment was not received till after the seizure. When the officers examined the premises on the morning of the seizure, they found mash-tubs containing beer in a state of fermentation, and the boiler was warm and a fire laid under the boiler. There was also a platform raised above the floor, and one of the officers asked the claimant's son, who appeared to be in charge, if there was anything under it. He was told there was not, but the next day he found under it four more mash-tubs, two of them full of beer in a state of fermentation. Spirits ran out of the worm in tarring the faucet. The still was in three compartments, the lower one being full of beer, the second part full and the third empty. Some testimony was also given to show that the distillery had been seen running in December.

The defendant testified himself that he had never run the still, and he did not think it could work before some repairs were made on it, which were made on Dec. 29. He admitted that he had kindled a fire under the boiler, and that he had mixed some molasses with water in the mash-tubs, and had put some fermented beer into the still; but he said he could not run a steam engine and had no engineer, and that he put water into the boiler to see if it was tight, and lit the fire to keep it from freezing.

The Judge left the case as a question of intent to the Jury, who, after a very brief absence, returned a verdict in favor of the Government.

For the United States, District-Attorney TRACY; for claimant, Gen. Crooke.

Court of Oyer and Terminer.

Before Justice Ingraham.

THE KANE ARSON CASE GIVEN TO THE JURY.

Upon the convening of the Court, Mr. Brady continued his argument for the defence, and upon its conclusion Attorney-General Martindale made the closing argument, occupying over three hours with an able and exhaustive statement for the people, claiming that the evidence showed plainly that the crime of arson had been committed; that one of two men, Kane or Sheehan, was the guilty party. They both were present, both had opportunity to commit the crime, and the remaining question was to consider which had the more controlling motive to commit. At this point the learned counsel went into a long and searching analysis of the entire case, to show that while Kane had the strongest motives of interest to impel him to fire the building, Sheehan had none at all, but would and did lose rather than gain by the fire.

The Court, when charging the Jury, went generally over the facts as claimed on each side, and said that unless the Jury credited the testimony of Sheehan, it was their duty to acquit the prisoner. The law governing the evidence of an accomplice, corroborated or uncorroborated by other testimony, as well as the amount of credit accorded by the law to a witness contradicted by himself, was then fully explained, and the Jury retired with the case at a few minutes past 4 o'clock, and at 7 o'clock, no verdict having been rendered, the Court took a recess until to-day at 9:30 o'clock.

Decisions.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—MARCH 1.

By Leonard, J.

Charlotte Cumming *vs.* Moses R. Cumming; report of referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted. Mary O'Hara *vs.* John O'Hara; the same judgment. Rosanna Mountage *vs.* Patrick Conway; case settled. Thomas Hope *vs.* C. E. Lawrence, &c.; case resettled. John H. Witte *vs.* Frederick Wencks; case, &c., settled. See by-standard's amendments.

By Barbarisse, J.

Edward Boates *vs.* Samuel A. Woolman; case settled. See proposed amendments. Isaac L. Hewitt et al. *vs.* The Beunehoft Run Petroleum Company; findings settled.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—MARCH 1, 1867.

$80000 U.S.6s 5-20s(C.'65	108⅞	200	Canton Company
2,500 U.S.6s 5-20s. C. '65		100	do
New	108⅞	100	Mar. Pref
5,000 U.S.6s,5-20s,R.'65		240	Adams Ex. Co
New Issue	108⅞	100	do
10,000 U.S.5s,10-40s. C.		50	Wells, Fargo Ex
Ex-int	98	10	Pac. M. S. S. Co
1,000 Tr. Notes, 73-10s		150	do
First Ser. small	106⅞	200	do
1,000 Ill. C. Bds. '80	99	1000	do
1,000 Ill. C. Bds. '70	104	100	do
3,000 N. Y. St. 7s. '70	104	400	N. Y. Cen
3,000 N. Y. St. 6s. '73	102⅞	300	do 2d call
2,000 Tenn. St. 6s. s-c	65¼	2200	Erie Railroad
4,000 Tenn. St. 6s. new	65¼	200	do
4,000 N. Car. 6s. s-c	50	50	do
2,000 N. Car. 6s. new	49¾	100	do
5,000	49¾	100	do
10,000 Conn. State 6s	100½	300	do
22,000 Mo. St. 6s	92	300	do 2d call
7,000 Ohio 6s. '81	101	300	do
60,000 Ohio 6s M. C	25¼	35	N. Y. & N. H. R
30,000 do	25¾	400	Reading R
3,000 C. & N.W. Con.		500	do
Conv. Bds	82	600	do
1,000 Tol. & Wab. 2d M.	79	970	Mich. S. & N. I
3,000 do	79½	500	do 2d call
1,000 Chi. & Alt. 1st M.	100	800	Ill. Cen. R
1,000 Mich. So. & N. Ind.	99¾	200	Clev. & Pitts
15,000 C. & R. I. & P. 7s	90¼	1300	Chic. & N. W
10,000 Mor. & Essex 1st.	98¾	500	Obi. & N. W. Pr
5 Continental Bank	104	600	do
11 Fourth National	104⅝	100	do b10
7 do	105	150	Clev. & Tol. R
7 Bk. State of N. Y.	108	800	Chic. & R. I
15 Del. & Hud. Canal	147	200	do
100 At. M. & O.	79¼	200	do

200	44¼
100	22¾
240	45
100	54⅝
50	55
10	26¾
150	12⅝
200	12⅝
1000	126
100	126½
400	102¾
300	102⅝
2200	53¼
200	54
50	55
100	55¼
100	55¼
300	55¼
300	55¼
970	55¾
500	72½
800	102
200	94¾
1300	35¼
500	64⅞
600	64⅝
100	64⅝
950	118⅛
800	95¾
200	79¼
1800	35¼
100	64⅝
100	118½
800	95¾
200	79¼

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6's cent., 1867	105	15-20 reg., 1865, n. iss	106¾
6's cent., 1868	105	15-20 reg., 1865, s. iss	106¾
6's cent. coupon, 1868	105¾	5's cent. reg., 1871	111
6's cent. reg'd, 1881	110¾	5's cent. coupon, 1871	111
5-20s registered, 1862	107	5's cent. coupon, 1874	102¾
5-20 coupon, small	110	End. coupon, 1874	102¾
5-20 880 & 1,000	111	10-40 registered	97¾
5-20 registered, 1864	107¾	10-40 500 & 1,000, ex d	97¾
5-20 500 & 1,000	107¾	7 3.10 1st series	106⅞
5-20 registered, 1865	107¾	7 3.10 2d series	106⅝
5-20 500 & 1,000	106⅞	7 3.10 3d series	106⅝

And the following for the City Bank Shares:

New-York	117	Bank of the Republic	113
Manhattan	132	Bank of N. America	105
Merchants'	115	Hanover	109
Mechanics'	117	Metropolitan	124
Union	115	People's	125
America	132	East River	90
City	200	Nassau	105
Phenix	106	Shoe and Leather	111
Tradesmen's	142	Corn Exchange	115
National	110	Continental	104
Merchants' Exch'ge	107	Commonwealth	107¾
State of New-York	107	Imp'rs. & Traders	110
Commerce	113½	Manuf'r & Merchants	100
Ocean	101⅜	Central National	111½
American Exchange	114	Fourth National	104½
Chatham	135		

And the following for the Railway mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s. 1883	93½	Chi. & N. W. Sx'n B	83
N. Y. Cen. 6s. 1867	91	Chi. & N. W. 1st M	86½
N. Y. Cen. 6s. R 1st	91	Cons. 7 3 c. conv	81
N. Y. Cen. 6s. Sub'n	91	Tol. & Wab. 1st M	89¾
N. Y. Cen. 7s. '76	102½	Tol. & Wab. 1st M. ex	89½
N. Y. Cen. 7s. con. 7s.	105	Tol. & W. 2d M	79½
N. Y. Cen. 7s. '65-'76	105¼	Tol. & Wab. Equ. Bds	69
Erie 1st mort. 1867	101⅝	Gt. Western 2d M. '93	70
Erie 7s, 2d mort. 1865	98½	Gal. & Chic. Ext	97½
Erie 7s, 4th mort. 1880	91½	Gal. & Chic. 2d M	97
Erie 7s, 5th mort. 1888	89	Cleve. & Tol. S. Fund	101
Buff., N. Y. & E. 1st M. 77	90	N. J. Central 1st M	101
Hud. R. 7s. 1st M.	1869 101¼	N. J. Central 2d M	101
Hud. R. 7s. 2d M. s. f. '85	103	Pitts. Ft. W. & Ch. 1st M	102
Hud. R. 7s. conv. 1867	98	Pitts. Ft. W. & Ch. 2d M	94
Harlem 1st M. '68-'72	101	Pitts. Ft. W. & Ch. 3d M	84½
Mich. Cen. 8's cf. '69-'72	102½	Cleve. & P. 2d M	96
Mich. Central 8s. '82	110	Cleve. & P. 3d Con	89
Chi. R. & Q. 8's cf. 1st M.	110⅜	Cleve. & P. 4th mort	73
Mich. So. 7 3 c. 2d M	92½	Chic. & Alton. S. F	99
N. Ind. Goshen Line, '68	96¾	Chi. & Al. 1st M	99
Mich. S. & N. I. S. F.	96	Chi. & Alton Income	91
Ill. Cen. 7 3 c. 1875	104	Dub. & Sioux C. 1st M	80
Alton & T. H. 1st M	90	Mil. & St. Paul 1st M	83¾
Alton & T. H. 2d, pfd	82	Mil. & St. Paul 2d M	80
Alton & T. H. 2d M. Inc.	71	Marietta & Cin. 1st M	82½
Chi. & N. W. S. F.	93	Miami & Ohio 1st M	103
Chi. & N. W. Int'l B	90	Chi. & Gt. East'n 1st	58

The following are the comparative earnings of the Marietta and Cincinnati Railroad for the third week in February:

1867	$19,807
1866	18,121

From Jan. 1:

1867	$151,188
1866	149,757

We are authorized to say that the contracts pending between certain Mining Board parties and Messrs. HENRY CLEWS & Co., of the Stock Exchange, have been settled without loss to the latter. These contracts, as in a similar case with Messrs. JAY COOKE & Co., (previously settled,) were in what is called "Ayres Mill and Mining Company" shares.

Superintendent BARNES, of the Insurance Department at Albany, we are glad to find, substantially confirms the reliability of the exhibit of the condition of the Sun Mutual Marine Insurance Company, which appears elsewhere in our columns. Mr. BARNES made a personal investigation of the affairs of the Company, at the special request of its honored President, Mr. MOSES H. GRINNELL, and the latter, in a preliminary note to his elaborate report, that he found the assets of the Company adequate and sufficient to justify its continuance in business as a Mutual Marine Insurance Company in the City of New-York. The Company has thus the prospect of continued usefulness and prosperity. The addition to the cash capital of half a million of dollars, recently agreed upon and now being paid in, will contribute materially to such result.

The day's business at the office of the Assistant Treasurer was as follows: Receipts for Customs, $379,000, Gold Notes, $46,000; Total receipts, $1,477,359 60; Payments, $3,604,763 86; Balance, $112,258,660 54.

The week's imports at this port of Foreign Dry Goods have been to the value of $3,315,787. The following is the summary of the week:

CONSUMPTION DIRECT.	WAREHOUSED.		WITHDRAWN.	
	Pkgs.	Value.	Pkgs.	Value.
Mun. of Wool	3,621	$792,486	607	$276,255
Man. of Cotton	1,495	643,564	714	211,631
Man. of Silk	1,204	533,156	1,251	283,705
Man. of Flax	1,389	394,903	199	60,966
Miscellaneous	2,736	205,629	2,697	56,151
Total	7,410	$2,374,618	4,835	$941,719
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Total entered		$2,316,737	Total marketed	

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Total	4,835	$941,719
Total marketed		$4,163,604

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

HOWES & MACY, BANKERS,
(Formerly officers of the Park Bank,)
30 Wall Street, N. Y.

FOUR PER CENT. INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

The business of this house is the same as an Incorporated Bank.

Persons keeping accounts may deposit and draw as they please, the same as with the City Banks, and will be allowed interest on their daily balances at 4 per cent.

Collections made on any part of the United States or Canada.

Orders for the purchase or sale of the various issues of Government and other Stocks, Bonds, and Gold, promptly executed for the usual commission.

☞ FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS OF THE CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY.
Interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum in Gold, payable in the City of New-York. For full particulars apply to FISK & HATCH,
Bankers and Dealers in Government Securities,
No. 5 Nassau-st., New-York.

☞ FISK & HATCH,
BANKERS AND DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, NO. 5 NASSAU-ST.,
Will receive SEVEN-THIRTY notes of all the series in exchange for the NEW 5-20 CONSOLIDATED BONDS, at the best market rates, which holders of seven-thirties will find to their advantage.

☞ TEN PER CENT. MUNICIPAL BONDS OF THE CITY OF EAST SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, issued for street improvements, for sale by A. WILKES, Stock Broker, Detroit.

☞ BROOKLYN CITY LOANS.
These include Park, Water and other Improvements Six and Seven per Cent. Bonds. For sale by
JAY COOKE & CO.,
Wall and Nassau sts.

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Friday, March 1, 1867.

The receipts of the principal kinds of produce since our last have been 17 bbls. Ashes, 1,041 bbls. Flour, 1,760 bags Corn Meal, 8,400 bushels Corn, 1,500 bushels Oats, 1,622 bbls. Pork, 1,321 pkgs. Cut Meats, 176 pkgs. Lard, 178 pkgs. Beef, and 374 bbls. Whisky.

ASHES—Continue in fair demand and steady, at $8 25@$8 50 for Pots, and $11 25@$11 60 for Pearls, ₱ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—Is quiet, but steady, including Java at 24¾c.@25c.; Native Ceylon, 19c.@20c.; Maracaibo, 17¼c.@18¾c.; Laguayra, 17¼c.@18¾c.; Rio, 15¾c.@19c.; St. Domingo, 16c

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1867.

Amusements this Evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC,
14th-st. and Irving-place.
THIS AFTERNOON, commencing at 1 o'clock, GRAND INAUGURAL PROMENADE CONCERT.

WINTER GARDEN,
Broadway, between Bleecker and Amity sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7 o'clock, MERCHANT OF VENICE. Characters by Edwin Booth, Mme. Methua Scheller, Mr. Barton Hill, Mr. J. Gotthold and a powerful cast.

NIBLO'S GARDEN,
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
THIS AFTERNOON, commencing at 1 o'clock, MATINEE.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, an original and grand spectacular Drama, entitled THE BLACK CROOK.

OLYMPIC THEATRE,
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
THIS AFTERNOON, commencing at 1 o'clock, MATINEE.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, STREETS OF NEW-YORK, with a cast embracing John K. Mortimore.

NEW-YORK THEATRE,
Broadway, near 8th-st.
THIS AFTERNOON, commencing at 2 o'clock, MATINEE.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, THE PRETTY HORSE-BREAKER. Followed by KENILWORTH; or, YE QUEEN, YE EARLE AND YE MAYDENNE.

WALLACK'S THEATRE,
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THIS AFTERNOON, commencing at 1½ o'clock, MATINEE—OURS.
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

We have advices to March 1 by Ocean Telegraph. The steamship *Asia* arrived yesterday at Halifax, with mail advices to the 16th ult. The news is fully anticipated.

The bill for the Confederation of British North America has been read twice in the House of Commons. Lord STANLEY states that neither Brazil nor Paraguay has ever invoked British mediation.

Mr. CHARLES F. BROWN (Artemus Ward) is lying dangerously ill at Southampton.

GARIBALDI's sons have gone to Candia to take part in the struggle against the Turks.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday, on motion of Mr. SHERMAN, the Finance Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the House bill to increase the duty on wool. Mr. SHERMAN then reported another bill, embracing the wool section of the Senate Tariff Bill, and asked that it be acted upon immediately. This bill was debated until 1 o'clock, when, without having been acted upon, it was laid aside and the Colorado Bill taken up in accordance with a previous arrangement. The Colorado Bill having been vetoed by the President, the question was upon its passing over the veto, a two-thirds vote being required to pass it. The vote stood yeas 29, nays 19; absent or not voting, 4. The bill consequently failed to pass. The Internal Revenue Bill came up as unfinished business. The amendment offered by Mr. HENDERSON abolishing the tax on all future crops of cotton was lost by a vote of 19 ye s to 19 nays. An amendment offered by Mr. POMEROY, reducing the tax to two cents a pound, was agreed to, yeas 21, nays 18. An amendment reducing the tax on whisky was disagreed to. An amendment was agreed to authorizing gas companies to add the tax to the price of gas delivered under existing contracts. The Senate then went into executive session, and shortly after took a recess. Other amendments were discussed at the evening session, and the bill was passed. It now goes to the House for concurrence in the amendments made. The Fortification Appropriation was amended in various ways, and the section adopted in the House providing that only 50 per cent. of the appropriations should be expended during the present fiscal year, was stricken out. The bill then passed. The bill making appropriations for the Navy was also passed.

In the House a number of Committees of Conference were appointed to consider the bills on which the Senate and House have disagreed. The Deficiency Bill was considered in Committee of the Whole, and afforded matter for lengthy debate. A proposition to appropriate $20,000 to pay the expenses of the Commission appointed to investigate the Fort Phil Kearny massacre, brought up the Indian controversy again. Mr. WINDOM favored a pacific policy regarding them, but thought that the legislation of Congress looked to the extermination of all Indians, men, women and children. The appropriation was agreed to. The appropriation of $35,000 for furnishing and repairing the Executive Mansion, was opposed by several members, and it was stated that $76,000 had already been appropriated for that purpose. The old scandal of last session, relative to the late occupants of the White House having carried off a large quantity of the furniture of the White House, was revived, and was denied by Mr. FARNSWORTH and others. The further consideration of this bill was postponed until the evening session. The business on the Speaker's table was then disposed of, after which the usual recess was taken. The Army Appropriation Bill was next taken up and the Senate amendments disposed of and new ones adopted, after which a Committee of Conference was asked for. Mr. LE BLOND raised a laugh by offering a resolution reciting the fact that the Legislature of Ohio had refused to strike the word "white" out of the State Constitution, and instructing the Reconstruction Committee to report a bill establishing a military form of government for the "so-called" State of Ohio until the people adopt a republican form of government. Mr. STEVENS was not sure but Pennsylvania should be included. The Committee of Conference on the Bankrupt Bill made a report recommending that the House recede from its concurrence with the Senate amendments. The subject was discussed for some time, when a motion to lay the report, and as a consequence the bill, on the table was negatived, yeas 71, nays 83. The previous question was moved and seconded and the main question ordered, when a motion to adjourn was made, but the House refused to adjourn. After a little time spent in "filibustering," the vote was taken amid great excitement, and the House accepted the report of the Committee by yeas 73, nays 71. The House soon after adjourned.

GENERAL NEWS.

It is reported that a bill has been introduced into the New-Jersey Legislature to incorporate the "Delaware River Company," which proposes to make the Delaware River navigable from Trenton, N. J., to Deposit, N. Y. This is to be accomplished by constructing dams, and so forming a huge canal in the valley of the river, which shall be a continuous navigable highway, nine feet deep, sixty feet wide at the bottom, and ninety feet wide at the water surface. The capital of the company is fixed at $15,000,000.

HENRY E. GARDNER, was executed at Elmira, yesterday, for the murder of AMASA MULOCK in December, 1864. Two strands of the rope broke over the cross beam of the gallows, letting the unfortunate man's feet touch the ground, and another rope had to be spliced on. GARDNER belonged to the Twelfth regular Infantry, and his parents live in Indiana. The murderer made confession acknowledging that the murder was premeditated and was committed for the purpose of robbery.

WILLIAM H. ORME, who was found guilty of arson in July last, was, on a new trial being granted, again found guilty yesterday in the Superior Court at East Cambridge, Mass. When asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced, drew a knife from his coat and plunged it three times into his breast. He was carried from the Court-room insensible, but was alive at a late hour last night.

JAMES SMITH, a sailor, who had been one of the crew of the Bremen ship *Mobile*, burned in the bay some time since, has been found guilty of arson in the City Court of Mobile, and sentenced to fifteen years imprisonment in the Penitentiary. He was one of the numerous cotton burners who destroyed so much property in the South and West.

The slight indisposition under which Gov. FENTON has labored since his return from Washington, has been so aggravated by his persistent attention to his public duties, as to confine him to his house.

The Equitable Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Boston, closed their doors yesterday afternoon in consequence of their heavy losses. They have been twenty-eight years standing.

The total shipment of treasure from California from Jan. 1 to Feb. 28, was $7,025,000.

LOCAL NEWS.

Superintendent KENNEDY has just received, from Major GREIG, Head Constable of Liverpool, the photograph of a very splendid gold loop brooch, with pendant and scroll. It is studded over with eighteen diamonds set in blue enamel. The photograph is sent to this country for the purpose of finding an owner for the jewel, it having been taken possession of by the English Police under circumstances that led them to believe it to have been stolen.

On Thursday night BARNEY LEONARD, of Forty-ninth-street and Tenth-avenue, attempted to jump on board a Hudson River Railroad freight car in West-street. He slipped and fell beneath the wheels of the car, which passed over him, and crushed his leg so severely that he is not expected to recover.

GEORGE WAGNER, the wife-murderer, was hanged yesterday at the Tombs, after a confinement in prison of nearly twenty months. The fall being insufficient to break the neck, death was caused by strangulation. The remains were buried at the private expense of Father DURANQUET, the faithful spiritual counselor of the unfortunate man.

Officer RICKER, of the Sixth Precinct, arrested JOHN WILLIAMS yesterday morning at a second-hand store in Baxter-street, for having in his possession a quantity of ladies' apparel and a lot of burglar's tools. After being photographed at Police Headquarters, the prisoner was locked up for trial by Justice HOGAN.

An inquest was held yesterday by Coroner SCHIRMER over the body of DANIEL SMITH, carman, whose death was the result of injuries received on Monday, by being crushed between his cart and a gate-post. Deceased was a native of Ireland and 38 years of age.

In the Court of Oyer and Terminer yesterday Attorney-General MARTINDALE concluded the argument for the people in the KANE arson case, and at 4 P. M. the jury retired with the case. At 7 o'clock there being no prospect of a verdict, the Court took a recess until this morning at 9½ o'clock.

JOSEPH SIZINSKY, aged 19, was arrested yesterday on a charge of having stolen a gold chain, value $40, from the store of GEO. W. WELSH, No. 244 Greenwich-street. On searching his person several other articles of jewelry were found in his possession. He was committed for trial by Justice HOGAN.

A fire occurred yesterday evening at No. 19 West Thirty-seventh-street, caused by the gas burner setting fire to the window frames. The flames were extinguished by Officer NOLAN, of the Twenty-ninth Precinct. Damage about $500. The premises were occupied by E. W. HOLBROOK.

At a meeting of the New-York Yacht Club on the 28th ultimo, Mr. HENRY G. STEBBINS was elected Commodore; Mr. JAMES G. BENNETT, Jr., Vice-Commodore, and Mr. D. SEARS, Jr., of Boston, Rear-Commodore. The annual regatta will take place June 13.

Two decrees of divorce were granted yesterday by the Supreme Court, Justice LEONARD presiding. They are entitled CHARLOTTE CUMMING *vs.* MOSES R. CUMMING, and MARY O'HARA *vs.* JOHN O'HARA.

AMOS J. WILLIAMSON, editor and proprietor of the New-York *Dispatch*, one of the Tax Commissioners and Chairman of the Republican Union Central Committee, died on Thursday evening, Feb. 28, between 7 and 8 o'clock, in the City of New-Orleans, La.

The University Medical College held its annual commencement last evening. Chancellor FERRIS presided, and the valedictory address was delivered by Prof. J. C. DRAPER.

Superintendent KENNEDY presented sixty complaints against liquor dealers to the President of the Excise Board, yesterday, for violations of the Excise Law.

Officer LATTERLEE, of the Twenty-first Precinct, found a human skull in an empty barrel yesterday, on the corner of Third-avenue and Twenty-ninth-street.

The regular meeting of the Board of Health was held yesterday afternoon. Nothing beyond the usual routine business was transacted.

General business was less active yesterday. Prices of Breadstuffs favored buyers. Cotton and Pork were firmer. Moderate freight engagements were reported.

Family marketing was generally dull, on less extensive supplies, and a higher range of prices.

Yesterday was the great cattle-market day at Hudson City. The arrivals were heavy, numbering 4,236 neat cattle for the weekly supply. The average sales were somewhat higher than they have been for several previous weeks. The best droves were sold quickly at 17c.@17½c. ℔ lb., net weight. A few choice bullocks—extras—were taken at still higher figures. Common to good cattle sold freely at 15c.@17c.; inferior grades 12c.@15c. ℔ lb., net weight. The receipts of sheep were light, numbering only 2,927 for the week at this market. The prices have advanced a trifle. The last lots brought 9c.@10c. ℔ lb., live, gross weight. Common to good sheep 7c.@9c. ℔ lb., live weight. Inferior grades 6c.@7c. ℔ lb. There seems to be an active demand for well-fattened beeves and fat sheep.

SMALL POTATOES.—The House of Representatives yesterday enjoyed its periodical discussion and squabble about the furniture and "fixings" of the White house, and went over the old ground about the alleged removal of certain articles of furniture, crockery, and sheeting, after the death of President LINCOLN. This question seemed to be settled at one time, but it appears that it will not remain settled. It would certainly be better to take the whole matter in hand at once, in an earnest and severe style; appoint a smelling committee to investigate it in all its mysterious ramifications, and fasten the guilt definitely upon the proper parties, in order that they may be brought to trial and judgment. Or else Congress ought to stop the paltry and disreputable talk about it, which is indulged in every session.

Our Public Stocks Abroad.

Mr. SHERMAN, of the Senate, has renewed his commendable effort of last Spring to consolidate the principal and reduce the rate of interest of the funded and fundable stocks of the United States. His new bill aims to preserve the five per cent. principle of the measure introduced last Spring, but in different forms.

1. The domestic fundholder is to receive a gold-bearing *six* per cent. stock, subject to a tax of *one* per cent. in lieu of all other taxes, including income, for the support of a sinking fund and for no other object, which by compounding will pay off the principal—following out the original provision of the act of Feb. 25, 1862. The Sinking Fund Commissioners are to be the Chief-Justice and the Secretary of the Treasury. Their authority to purchase the existing six per cent. stocks for the Sinking Fund, and the separate authority of the Secretary to effect their exchange for the consolidated debt, extends to 105 per cent., or 5 per cent. premium.

2. The foreign fundholders in the existing 6 per cents are invited to accept a 5 per cent. Consolidated Stock, free of all drawback or taxation, principal and interest payable in their own currency and at their our financial capitals. The difference to be allowed on such exchanges not to exceed 105 for the 5.20s, and new sales of such Foreign Consolidated 5 per cents are authorized by the Secretary of the Treasury.

It is understood that Mr. SHERMAN will not move his bill at the present session of Congress, but it is possible that something may be done to-day with the second (or foreign) provision, as a separate proposition, in the House of Representatives. The Secretary has been and is very solicitous on the subject, and urged the measure with much earnestness in his December report to Congress. It finds favor, too, with our New-York bankers of English and Continental connections, many of whom were most active and liberal, as well as eminently useful, at the most critical period of our war for the suppression of rebellion, in introducing and rapidly extending the sales of United States Five-twenties in Europe to the relief of the foreign exchanges here, when the absence of such relief might have greatly aggravated the high premium on gold. And as the present measure does not imply a proposition to raise a foreign loan, but simply to exchange or fund existing obligations, it is wholly free from the objections made to borrowing money directly abroad during the war. It carries with it no sense of discredit—on the contrary, rightly presumes that our great Government ought to and can reduce the rate of gold interest to five per cent - and it cannot possibly lower the national dignity, (as objected to original war loans abroad,) now that peace is restored and the resources of the Treasury proved more than equal to the support of the public debt. Such stocks have been repeatedly made in sterling money by the great Empire of Russia, and the principal and interest, paid in London, *as a matter of convenience and economy*, without the slightest notion that it either lowered the dignity or credit of the Government. In like manner, some of the loans of Holland, the wealthiest of the smaller States of Europe, are provided for in London. And nearly all the Turkish and South American State stocks are not only made payable in London, but were originally negotiated there.

A correspondent of the TIMES, a few days since, placed the advantages of the measure, so far as it is to affect our foreign exchanges, before our readers, and it is not necessary to recapitulate the arguments of this writer or of the Secretary of the Treasury—the most important of which looks to the removal of the great and constant danger to our foreign exchanges in heavy drafts upon our gold by the sudden return of Federal bonds held abroad, on the recurrence of financial panics such as was witnessed in London last May, and on the outbreak of wars or serious political complications in Europe.

The Bankrupt Bill.

It is satisfactory to be able to announce that the Conference Committee on the Bankrupt Bill have agreed upon a report. The bill in its essential features, as passed by the Senate, will now become law. It was the wish of the earnest advocates of the measure to strike out one of the clauses in the Senate bill. But rather than see the measure defeated, the thorough supporters of the bill compromised on the clause to which we refer, and which reads as follows:

"And in all proceedings in bankruptcy commenced after one year from the time the act shall go into operation, no discharge shall be granted to a debtor whose assets do not pay fifty per centum of the claims against his estate, unless the assent in writing of a majority in number and value of his creditors, who have proved their claims, is filed in the case at or before the time of application for discharge."

The bill would have been better without the Senate clause; for if the debtor is left at the mercy of a majority of his creditors—the *small fry* that hang on to him after he has his discharge from his heavy liabilities—there is comparatively little in any other section of the measure. Still, it is good to make some beginning.

AN EXAMPLE FOR CONGRESS.—We are sure members of Congress might learn something of parliamentary manners and the proprieties of debate by studying the proceedings and discussions in the Legislature of the State of New-York. Though the most exciting questions of politics and legislation have been up for consideration, and though members differ about them as widely as possible, we have had no such vulgar and outrageous personal assaults as have been of frequent occurrence in both the Senate and the House of Representatives at Washington. Though there is strong opposition to the Governor and the State administration and their policy, there have been no such displays of personal malice and vituperation toward them as there have been in Congress toward the functionaries of the General Government. It would certainly be easy enough to find or make opportunity for them, but a higher self-respect, a deeper sense of honor, and a great regard for the dignity of the Legislature and the character of the State, have altogether prevented them. Members of Congress might learn something valuable by adjourning to Albany and studying the style of our State Legislature.

The Williams Case and the Solicitor of the Treasury.

If the position of the Custom-house officials in the "Williams case," to which we have referred, is subject to criticism, that of the Solicitor of the Treasury in relation to it is, as it seems to us, still less enviable. The fact appears without contradiction that Mr. JORDAN received the sum of $4,000 from Mr. FARWELL, the informer, out of the proceeds of the case. The attempt is made in the minority report of the Congressional Committee to justify this action as being a present of friendship made by Mr. FARWELL, because he would not have known that he was entitled to anything as informer but for Mr. JORDAN; and the report undertakes to draw a parallel between it and the presents which have been made to Gen. GRANT, and to argue that because it is not contrary to any express statute it is not open to objection.

We should hardly have felt called upon to discuss the matter at all, deeming it too plain for controversy, but for the position taken by this minority report. We must confess to being surprised at the attempt to justify it.

It has long been felt by all men that those who are to decide questions of controversy ought not to be in any way interested in the result of the controversy. It is for this reason that we have Courts of Law and Judges who are to be not only impartial but disinterested. If the controversy between the Government and Messrs. WILLIAMS & Co. had been decided by a Judge, to whom Mr. FARWELL had subsequently paid a portion of the judgment, no one could be found to defend such a proceeding.

Now, the position of the Solicitor of the Treasury, though not a judicial one, is so nearly analogous to it, that the same principle ought to apply. The law has provided that Custom-house officers shall be interested in the proceeds of all fines, penalties and forfeitures recovered under the Revenue Law. It is but human nature, therefore, that they should take that view of any question which comes before them, which will jump with their interest. Citizens whose rights and property are involved in such questions cannot, therefore, leave these questions to be determined by the Custom-house officers. They must either go before the Courts, or as they are allowed to do in many cases, before the Secretary of the Treasury. On legal questions the Secretary of the Treasury cannot but be in great measure governed by the views of the Solicitor of the Treasury, and if the Secretary should be disinterested, certainly the Solicitor should be.

Let us suppose, for instance, that a similar controversy between the Government and a citizen arises in this City, and the Government seizes books and papers as it may, and commences proceedings more or less stringent, to enforce forfeitures which it claims. Suppose that the citizen finds that he may have to go through a long and serious litigation with the Government, when he is convinced that there is no foundation for the claim—suppose, therefore, that he goes to the Secretary of the Treasury to lay the case before him, and the Secretary, seeing that a legal proceeding is involved refers him to the Solicitor. With what sort of hope would he go before the Solicitor, if he had this thought ever before him: "FARWELL gave the Solicitor $4,000 out of his share of the WILLIAMS forfeiture, and FARWELL is the informer in this case?" He could not but feel all the time that he was stating his case, not to an officer who was governed only by views of his duty to the public, but to one who was so connected with one of the interested parties that his judgment was in danger of being biased.

We regret exceedingly that Mr. JORDAN should have placed himself in this position. We think he will find that he was unwise in accepting Mr. FARWELL's money, and that its fruits of vexation and regret have been far beyond any advantage which he may have derived from it.

THE NORTH GERMAN CONFEDERACY.—On Saturday last the first Parliament of this newly constituted Confederacy was opened with all the required pomp of State, at the City of Berlin, by the King of Prussia in person. This fact is suggestive. It shows that the sovereign rights and privileges of the minor States forming the Confederacy in junction with Prussia are virtually things of the past, and that the King of Saxony, the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg, and all the other Princes, who, theretofore laid such great stress upon their independence, have all now one common sovereign over them in the Prussian King. The brief abstract of the King's speech it is hardly worth our while to notice, for what we are told that he said are mere common-places, and, mayhap, intended to be so. For the sake of the further consolidation of this new Empire of the Germ.. North, we are glad to learn that Count BISMARCK was present at the interesting ceremony. The reports of his serious illness, as telegraphed, were calculated to create alarm. They are now proven to have been exaggerated; and we rejoice at this—for the loss, even temporarily, of the advice of this man of strong will, clear mind and unbending energy would have been seriously felt by the King not only, but also by all those who favor the firm constitution of this Confederacy upon a basis alike glorious to Prussia and beneficial to the people of the rest of Germany.

A NEW DEPARTMENT.—We have no doubt the President will sign the bill which is now in his hands to establish in Washington a "Department of Education." This new national department is for the purpose of collecting such statistics and facts as shall show the condition and progress of education in the several States and Territories, and of diffusing such information respecting the organization and management of schools and school systems and methods of teaching as shall aid the people of the United States in the establishment and maintenance of efficient school systems, and otherwise promote the cause of education throughout the country. The bill provides for the appointment of a "Commissioner of Education," with a salary of $4,000 per annum. It furnishes him with three subordinates or clerks, whose combined salaries amount to $5,400; and it requires that he present an annual report to Congress embodying the results of his investigations and labors. The Department should not be an expensive one. Its entire expenses should certainly be covered by an annual appropriation of $20,000. It can be made of great advantage in the way of extending education throughout the country, and in improving the educational systems of the different States. Much of its efficiency will depend upon the character of the officer who is placed at its head; and we trust that the President, after signing the bill, will make such an appointment as will best subserve the vital interests of national education.

SENDING THE NEGROES TO AFRICA.—We are sure that almost everybody will agree with the opposition which was made yesterday in the House of Representatives to any further appropriation for the purpose of aiding negroes to emigrate from this country to Liberia. In the old times of Slavery and Pro-Slaveryism, the Colonization Society performed a most excellent and commendable work. But now that blacks are everywhere free, and their rights as men guaranteed and enforced, there is no reason why we should send any portion of them to Africa to work out their salvation. No one now entertains the idea which was formerly held by many of our prominent statesmen, that the negro race on this continent will ever be returned *en masse* to Africa; and the practice of shipping off a few hundred yearly, at a heavy expense to the Government and people, serves no reasonable purpose of any kind whatever.

Old Politicians at Dinner.—MONTGOMERY THROOP, Esq., of this City, recently invited a few of the cotemporaries of his uncle, Ex-Gov. ENOS P. THROOP, to meet the long retired statesman at dinner. When the party were seated at table, it recalled life at Albany in the "olden time." Among the guests were AZARIAH C. FLAGG, EDWIN CROSWELL, THURLOW WEED and Judge PECKHAM. In 1818, now almost half a century ago, Major FLAGG was editing the Plattsburgh *Republican*, Mr. CROSWELL the Catskill *Recorder*, and Mr. WEED the Chenango *Agriculturist*. Gov. THROOP had just been elected a Member of Congress.

Fifty-three years ago (in 1814) Major FLAGG and Quartermaster-Sergeant WEED were in the army—the former at Plattsburgh, the latter at Sackett's Harbor. Forty-five years ago Messrs. FLAGG and WEED were in the Assembly. In 1830 Mr. THROOP was Governor, Major FLAGG Secretary of State, Mr. CROSWELL editor of the *Argus*, Mr. WEED editor of the *Evening Journal*.

From this period the great struggle between the Whig and Democratic parties in this State, dates. It was protracted, obstinate and embittered. The "Albany Regency" was a power not only in this State, but throughout the Union. It embraced, in its organization, really great men. Such, for example, as the elder VAN BUREN, Mr. MARCY, SILAS WRIGHT, Major FLAGG, &c., &c. In the *Argus*, conducted by Mr. CROSWELL, the Regency had a most able, vigilant and reliable organ.

Mr. WEED conducted the *Evening Journal*. The leading men of the Whig Party were ALBERT H. TRACY, FRANCIS GRANGER, WM. H. SEWARD, JOHN A. KING, Chief-Justice SPENCER, MOSES H. GRINNELL, SIMEON DRAPER, PHILIP HONE, &c.

The conversation, relating as it did to events in which each had, in the earlier days, taken an active part, was so interesting that time passed too rapidly, and all regretted the announcement that "Mr. FLAGG's carriage waited." Mr. FLAGG, who has worthily filled some of the most important offices in the State, though enjoying good health, is "as blind as Bellisarius." Gov. THROOP, though in his 84th year, is as alert and active, intellectually and physically, as he was when Governor.

With the hostess, (a daughter of the late Judge GRIDLEY,) the table was graced by the presence of Mrs. W. L. MARCY and Mrs. and Miss CROSWELL.

HOW A COUNTRY BANK DIVIDEND WAS GOBBLED UP.—The Lake Ontario National Bank, at Oswego, declared a dividend amounting to $35, on which the Bank paid a tax of $17 80 to the County, and an additional tax of $12 50 to the City, leaving a balance of $4 70, for which amount the stockholder received a Dividend Check!

AMUSEMENTS.

THE BAL D'OPERA.—But few words are needed to describe the absolute success of the *bal d'opera* which, last evening, appropriately inaugurated not only the new Academy itself, but a season of high endeavor and artistic brilliancy. The first occasion of the kind was that which took place under the able direction of MARETZEK, in the old Academy, when the *élite* of the Metropolis shared the festivities of the evening, and the notable caricatures of a resident artist lined the walls and afforded mirth and sport for us all. Shortly after that the Academy was destroyed, leaving nothing, save its ashes and its memories, and until that destruction, we little realized to what extent the Academy and its entertainments had become part and parcel of our best and most delightful living. The energy and enterprise of its Directors, spurred in no light degree by the necessities of the public and the arguments of MARETZEK, insured an immediate rebuilding, the result of which stands monumental in its approximate perfection on the traditional ground, ready for the accommodation and service of the people.

We have on a previous occasion described at length and with fullest detail the external and internal appearance and peculiar conveniences of the Academy, which is vastly improved by the new arrangement in the boxes and the shortening of the parquet length. The chief annoyance in the old building was the garish, gaudy type of adornment about the circles' front, the pillars and paneling generally. This is entirely obviated by the better taste of the decorators, who, in the artistic frescoing of the ceiling and the delicate tinting of the interior, have consulted rather the cultured desire of the few than the extravagant hankerings of the multitude. The greatest effort has been made to secure the comfort and ease of the attendants at the Academy. The dressing-rooms, lobbies, boxes and chairs are arranged with this grand point or personal comfort mainly in view, and we think it will be universally conceded that in this essential element the house is, literally, unapproached by any other.

This *bal d'opera* was given for two reasons. The gentlemen who are in the Academic Board of Direction, with others of our best-known citizens and leaders of society, deemed it due to Mr. MARETZEK that when he again assumed control, it should be known and seen among all men that he did so with the most absolute confidence of the people for whose entertainment he is to cater. A great loser by the fire and its unavoidable results, MARETZEK held on to his company, engaged new artists, and before the smoke had ceased curling above the blackened walls of his ruined temple reorganized his troupe and laid plans for the coming season. The plucky endurance, the reckless indifference to combinations of avowed hostility and the dogged perseverance exhibited by the impressario won the regard of his fellow-citizens, so that when a public-spirited member of the Board proposed a complimentary inaugural ball the suggestion was at once adopted by the directors and indorsed last night by the people.

The issue of tickets from the sales office was limited to one thousand, and which, with the extra ladies' tickets and the few complimentaries, made an aggregate of perhaps three thousand. These were all represented last night and no more, so that while there was an attendance quite sufficiently large to insure brilliancy and geniality, there was not enough to give discomfort or cause annoyance.

By 10 o'clock the boxes were filled and the floor closely occupied, and at that hour the quadrille band, under the skillful conduct of Messrs. BERGMANN and GRILL, opened with "L'Africaine Quadrille," in which several hundred couples participated. The number of fancy dresses was unusually large, and the elegance of the toilettes was universally remarked. The usual variety, from the impossible Yankee to the hand-rubbing clown—from Queen Elizabeth to Mrs. Grundy—was noticed, and the traditional representatives of Sunday newspapers attracted the traditional attention.

The music was superb the dancing jolly, the promenade universal, the supper possible, the ball a success.

PROMENADE MATINEE TO-DAY.—Mr. MARETZEK undertakes the inauguration of a novel feature in our social entertainment, by giving what he terms an *Inaugural Matinée* this afternoon at the Academy. The three great orchestras of Messrs. BERGMANN, GRILL and GRAFULLA will take possession at 1 o'clock, and between that hour and 4 will discourse the choicest numbers of the following programme:

1. March, "Le Prophete." 2. Pot-pourri, "L'Africaine." 3. Overture, "Rienzi." 4. Valse, "Le Guard." 5. Selection, "Ione." 6. Terzett, "Crispino e la Comare." 7. Yacht Club Valse (expressly composed.) 8. Selection, "Gemma di Vergi." 9. Overture, "Dichter und Bauer." 10. Selection, "Robert le Diable." 11. "Jockey Club Gallop" (expressly composed.) 12. Aria, "Nabucco." 13. Pot-pourri, "Faust." 14. "Marien Gallop." 15. "Six-in-Hand Lancers" (expressly composed.) 16. Musical Telegraph. 17. March Pot-pourri. 18. Medley.

If we may judge of the popular pulse by the throngs of people who have endeavored during the week to get a glimpse at the graceful adornments of the Academy, there will be a great demand for the dollar pasteboards on this occasion. The music could not well be more choice. The attendance will doubtless be brilliant, and the opportunity of looking at the arrangements of the new house will be ample.

MATINEES TO-DAY.—The "Black Crook," with the beautiful ballet and the most magnificent scenic display ever beheld in this country, will be given at a *matinée* to-day at 1 o'clock.

Mr. LESTER WALLACK and his entire company will appear in the popular comedy of "Ours," at a *matinée* for the benefit of the Southern Relief Commission.

At the Olympic, the "Streets of New-York," with the pretty and popular KATE NEWTON, the festive MORTIMER and the facetious COLLINS, will be played this afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. BARNEY WILLIAMS, the ever favorite exponents of Irish wit and Yankee cuteness, have had a grand week at the Broadway, and give two performances to-day.

The New-York Circus, Barnum's Museum, Griffin & Christy's Minstrels, Kelly & Leon's Minstrels, HARTZ, the best illusionist of the age, and the New-York Theatre, where MARK SMITH indulges in a huge bit of burlesque—all indulge in a *matinee*, besides the regular evening performance.

BROOKLYN PHILHARMONICS.—The fourth concert of the Philharmonic's concert season will be given this evening, at the Brooklyn Academy. Mme. PAREPA and CAMILLA URSO are the solo attractions, and Mr. THEO. THOMAS has provided a very choice orchestral programme.

NEW-YORK.

AFFAIRS AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

Constitutional Convention—Proposed Increase of the Emigrant Tax—New-York City Railroads—Freights on Milk—Military Ceremonial—Doings in the Assembly.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Friday, March 1, 1867.

The bill ordering an election for the Constitutional Convention was further debated in the Senate last evening and this morning. At the session last evening, Mrs. STANTON and her fellow-laborers in the cause of "Woman's Rights," who lately addressed the Legislature, may be said to have achieved a great triumph. A motion was adopted in Committee of the Whole, with only one dissenting vote, to strike out the word "male" from the section defining the qualifications of voters, so that in its present shape the bill admits women to participate in the election on precisely the same footing as men. It is surprising that so great a revolution in public sentiment should have been effected in so short a time and with so few premonitory symptoms; but it is only another illustration of the truth that in the moral as well as the physical sphere of nature, the great moving causes work silently.*

The Assembly has not had its bill up to-day or yesterday, but it will soon be reached.

INCREASE OF THE EMIGRANT TAX.

The Assembly Committee on Commerce and Navigation, at the special instance of the Commissioners of Emigration, has reported a bill increasing the commutation fee for emigrate passengers from two dollars to three. The number of emigrants landed last year was about 250,000, so that the additional tax to be imposed upon this needy but valuable class will, if their number should be equal to this, in the coming year reach the large sum of a quarter of a million, and to this extent operate as a discouragement to emigration.

The attention of ship-owners engaged in the business of bringing over immigrants should be given to this bill.

NEW-YORK CITY RAILROADS.

The matter of City Railroads was under discussion in the Senate this morning, and a very animated debate took place, the lobby, as might be expected, rallying in full force, and the galleries being crowded in the extreme.

The Railroad Committee, by Mr. LOW, Chairman, reported in favor of the bill introduced by Senator T. MURPHY, authorizing the construction of a Metropolitan Underground Railroad, and known as the Thompson bill, and adversely upon the other two bills, known as the Vanderburg and Wilson bills.

The Senate, by a vote of 19 to 13 on the motion of Mr. FOLGER, placed both these bills upon an equal footing with the one favorably reported by ordering them all to be printed and referred to the Committee of the Whole. The incorporators in the bill favored by the Committee are Geo. Griswold, John Thompson, L. P. Miller, W. W. Gilbert, James Boorman Johnston, Lorenzo Delmonico, Henry A. Smythe and others.

JACOB SHARP and his friends were deeply interested spectators, and were evidently much gratified by the vote placing the rival bills upon an equal footing, as they see in this the presage of defeat for them all. Mr. SHARP and his co-laborers, though urging the passage of a surface street railroad bill, would probably be well satisfied if they could secure the defeat of the various measures for affording improved facilities for transit now before the Legislature, and thus retain the valuable franchises in which they are already so largely interested.

FREIGHT ON MILK.

Mr. MILLSPAUGH, of Orange County, has a bill which he will introduce in the Assembly on the first opportunity, to fix and regulate the freight upon

EUROPEAN NEWS.

Advices to March 1 by Ocean Telegraph.

The North American Province Confederation.

The Bill Read Twice in the House of Commons.

The Sons of General Garibaldi Helping the Cretans.

GREAT BRITAIN.

British North America.

LONDON, Friday, March 1—Noon.

The bill for the British North American Province Confederation has been read twice in the House of Commons.

Serious Illness of Charles F. Browne.

LONDON, Friday, March 1.

CHARLES F. BROWNE, the American humorist, better known as "Artemus Ward," is lying very ill at Southampton, whither he had gone for the benefit of his health. His life is despaired of.

England and the South American War.

LONDON, Friday, March 1—P. M.

Lord STANLEY, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, in answer to an inquiry made in the House of Commons to-night, said that neither Brazil nor Paraguay had ever invoked the mediation of England.

CRETE.

VENICE, Friday, March 1.

The sons of Gen. GARIBALDI have gone to Candia, to help the Cretans in their battles against the Turks.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Financial.

LONDON, Friday, March 1—NOON.

Consols for money.....91
Erie Shares.....36¼
Illinois Central (ex dividend).....76¼
U. S. Five-twenty Bonds.....73¼

LONDON, Friday, March 1—Evening.

Consols closed at 91 for money.

American Securities closed at the following quotations:

United States Five-twenties.....73¼
Illinois Centrals (ex. div.).....76¼
Erie Railway Shares.....36¼

PARIS, Friday, March 1—Evening.

United States Bonds to-day were quoted at 82¾.

FRANKFORT, Friday, March 1—Evening.

United States Five-twenty Bonds closed at 76¾.

Commercial.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, March 1—Noon.

The Brokers' Circular reports the sales of Cotton for the week ending last evening at 53,000 bales, including some 10,000 for speculation and export. The market has been generally dull and inactive, and prices have fallen off to a considerable extent. Near the close of the week, however, the market stiffened up, and part of the decline was recovered. The market to-day opened firm, and with an estimated day's sale of 10,000 bales. The following are the authorized quotations:

Middling Uplands.....13 ⅜
Middling Orleans.....13¾

PRODUCE—Tallow, 43s. 6d. ₱ cwt. for American. Ashes, 34s. ₱ cwt. for Pots.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, March 1—Evening.

COTTON—The Cotton market continued steady, and closed firm at 13¾d. for Middling Uplands and 13¾d. for Middling Orleans. The sales of the day amounted to 10,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—The market for Breadstuffs is dull. Corn sold to-day at 36s. 3d. ₱ quarter for Mixed Western.

PROVISIONS—The market for Provisions is generally firm.

PRODUCE—Refined Pennsylvania and White Canadian Petroleum are quoted at 1s. 7d. ₱ gallon.

MARINE NEWS.

Arrival Out.

HAVRE, Friday, March 1—Noon.

The steamship *Arago*, Capt. GADSDEN, which left New-York on the 16th of February, reached this port early this morning.

BY STEAMSHIP.

Arrival of the Asia at Halifax.

HALIFAX, N. S., Friday, March 1.

The Royal Mail steamship *Asia*, Capt. MACAULEY, which left Liverpool on the 16th of February, and Queenstown the next day, put in here to-day at noon, *en route* to Boston. Her news is fully anticipated by cable dispatches to the Associated Press. She has 26 cabin passengers for Boston.

MEXICO.

Official Report of the Engagement Between the Forces of Rocha and those of Mejia.

WASHINGTON, Friday, March 1.

The Mexican Legation received, to-day, official news from Matamoras, dated on the 19th ultimo, about the engagement of Gen. ROCHA, at Gallinero, with MEJIA'S troops under CASTILLO, which shows that it was a very small affair. The official reports said as follows:

"After MIRAMON'S complete defeat by Gen. ESCOBEDO at San JACINTO on the 1st ult., CASTILLO retreated to Dolores with 8,000 men. Gen. ROCHA, believing them to be demoralized, sent 300 cavalry under Gen. HERRERA Y. CARRO to harrass them in the rear. As might be expected they were repulsed, Gen. CARRO losing twenty of his men and being himself among the killed."

The Mexican Legation has received, also, official news from President JUAREZ, dated at Zacatecas on the 6th ult. The President expected to leave in a few days for San Luis Potosi.

NEBRASKA.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH STATE.

Proclamation by the President Declaring Nebraska a State.

By the President of the United States—A Proclamation:

Whereas, The Congress of the United States did, by an act approved on the nineteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, authorize the people of the Territory of Nebraska to form a Constitution and State Government, and for the admission of such State into the Union on an equal footing with the original States upon certain conditions in said act specified; and,

Whereas, Said people did adopt a Constitution conforming to the provisions and conditions of said act, and ask admission into the Union; and,

Whereas, The Congress of the United States did on the eighth and ninth days of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, in mode prescribed by the Constitution, pass a further act for the admission of the State of Nebraska into the Union, in which last-named act it was provided that it should not take effect except upon like fundamental conditions that within the State of Nebraska there should be no denial of the elective franchise, or of any other right, to any person, by reason of race or color, excepting Indians not taxed, and upon the further fundamental condition that the Legislature of said State, by a solemn public act, should declare the assent of said State to the said fundamental condition, and should transmit to the President of the United States an authenticated copy of said act of the Legislature of said State, upon receipt whereof the President, by proclamation, should forthwith announce the fact, whereupon said fundamental condition should be held as a part of the organic law of the State, and thereupon and without any further proceedings on the part of Congress, the admission of said State into the Union should be considered as complete; and

Whereas, within the time prescribed by said act of Congress of the 8th and 9th of February, 1867, the Legislature of the State of Nebraska did pass an act ratifying the said act of Congress of the 8th and 9th of February, 1867, and declaring that the aforenamed provisions of the third section of said last-named act of Congress should be a part of the organic law of the State of Nebraska, and,

Whereas, A duly authenticated copy of said act of the Legislature of the State of Nebraska has been received by me, now, therefore,

I, ANDREW JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, do, in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress last herein named, declare and proclaim the fundamental conditions imposed by Congress on the State of Nebraska, to entitle that State to admission to the Union, have been ratified and accepted, and that the admission of the said State into the Union is now complete. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this 1st day of March, in the year of our Lord 1867, and of the Independence of the United States of America the ninety-first. ANDREW JOHNSON.

By the President:

WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Constitutional Amendment—The Legislative Committee Divided Upon the Question of Adoption—The Minority and Majority Reports—The Colored Member, Mr. Walker, Against Adoption.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BOSTON, Friday, March 1.

The Legislative Committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred, six or seven weeks ago, the Constitutional Amendment, made their report to-day. Senators E. L. BARNEY, of Bristol, and Representatives F. W. BIRD, of Walpole; O. H. P. BROWN, of Salem, and E. G. WALKER, of Charlestown, presented a minority report against the adoption of said Amendment, through Mr. BIRD, and Senator B. C. PERKINS, of Essex; and Representatives GEORGE B. LORING, of Salem, and DAVID H. MASON, of Newton, through Mr. LORING, presented a minority report in favor of the adoption of the Amendment. The two are now before the Legislature for consideration. I mentioned some three weeks since that two reports would be presented, but since that time it has been thought that the Committee would be unanimous against the Amendment. It now appears that they were unable to agree.

The minority report holds that the ratification of the Amendment is extremely important, in the present condition of our national affairs, as a measure of support to loyal men and for the protection of the property of the country, and is entitled to cordial approval: As a declaration of the true intent and meaning of American citizenship, it appeals to freemen everywhere; and while it cannot be considered a finality in the work of reconstruction, it is an advance in the direction of the establishment of unrestricted popular rights, which, when complete, will make our Constitution and laws accordant with the highest principles of free civil organizations. In order that Massachusetts may hold no equivocal position on the question of ratifying the proposed Amendment, the Committee deemed it proper to present a resolution to the Legislature, which argues that Massachusetts denies the right of any Republican Government to abridge the exercise of the elective franchise by reason of race or color, or to impose any qualification of voting which is not applicable to all men and surmountable to all men; and that she is opposed to the creation of new States, and to the reorganization of States lately in rebellion, on any other basis than that of universal suffrage. It will be remembered that Gov. BULLOCK favors the adoption of the Amendment, and this portion of the Committee express his views in the matter; but whether the Legislature as a body will accept the same is extremely doubtful.

THE MAJORITY REPORT.

The majority report says that a change in the fundamental law of a great nation is, under ordinary circumstances, a grave matter; and when such a change touches first principles, the question claims thoughtful consideration. Although a large majority of the loyal States have ratified this amendment, the Committee regard it as the duty of wise legislators and good citizens to inquire patiently and critically into the interpretations of which the amendment is susceptible, before giving our sanction to its becoming a part of our organic law. The recent action of the Supreme Court of the United States suggests the propriety of inquiring what constructions are possible from an unfriendly Court. Two questions present themselves at the outset:

First. Does it give any additional guarantees to human rights?

Second. Does the proposed amendment impair or endanger any rights now recognized by the Constitution?

The report then cites the preamble and the various amendments to the Constitution, and argues that these, upon any fair rule of interpretation, cover the whole ground of section first of the proposed amendment relating to citizenship. It says that nearly every one of the amendments heretofore ratified grew out of a jealousy of the rights of the people, and is in the direction, more or less direct, of a guarantee of human rights. It is already well established law, and has been so decided by the Supreme Court of the United States, that all native-born inhabitants and naturalized aliens, without distinction of color or sex, are citizens of the United States. This concludes the point quite as authoritatively as an amendment could do; indeed, probably more conclusively; for there is reason to fear that, if this matter should come before the present Supreme Court as a new question under this amendment, there would be no danger of an adverse decision. The definition of citizenship "of the State wherein they reside" is of no effect, as none of the provisions of the amendment profess to apply to persons as *citizens of a State*. The remainder of the first section, possibly excepting the last clause, is covered in terms by the provisions of the Constitution as it now stands, illustrated, as these express provisions are, by the whole tenor and spirit of the amendments. We are brought to the conclusion, therefore, that this first section is, at best, mere surplusage; and that it is mischievous, inasmuch as it is an admission either that the same guarantees do not exist in the present Constitution, or that if they are there they have been disregarded, and by long usage or acquiescence this disregard has hardened into constitutional right; and no security can be given that similar guarantees will not be disregarded hereafter.

The second section is objectionable because it permits the disfranchisement of colored citizens, and obviously attaches no penalty adequate to the punishment or the prevention of the crime. The best defence which the friends of this provision can make is this: that it does not admit the *right* to disfranchise, but only, if this is done, it imposes a penalty. It is hardly worth while to discuss the difference between these two propositions. It is enough that disenfranchisement, to any extent which the controlling majority choose, is possible—more, is recognized as probable and admissible under this amendment. The only considerations which would approach to a justification of this concession are these: that the penalty is in some degree adequate to the offence, and that it would prevent the disfranchisement. The offence would be the denial of the rights of citizenship to millions for accidents which they cannot control, involving miseries to the proscribed classes less endurable, if possible, than those of chattel slavery, the subversion of the most vital principles of republican government, and the basest ingratitude toward the only loyal friends of the Government in the South, and the scorn of the civilized world. What is the penalty? The loss of a few representatives in Congress! Is it adequate to the crime. The simple question provokes derision.

As a measure of reconstruction, ought it to be ratified? The answer to this question may be supposed to depend upon another question—was the amendment proposed to the country as a finality? In other words, was the faith of Congress and of the States which ratified it, pledged to the rebel States, that any one of those States, upon ratifying the Amendment, could claim as of right, admission through their representatives into Congress? While the Amendment was before Congress, a proposition was introduced into the House, declaring that upon the ratification of the Amendment by any unrepresented State, such State should at once be entitled to representation in Congress. This proposition was ignominiously repudiated. Congress having refused to hold out any such pledge, and none being contained in the Amendment, there is not the slightest foundation for the claim that any such pledge was given or intended.

Again, no such inference can be drawn from the elections of last Fall. In the single State of New-York the Republican Party put this pledge into its platform. In all of the other States the pledge was repudiated or the question was left open. Undeniably, the campaign was fought on this simple issue: "Shall these rebels be intrusted with political power?" The people believed that the party which had conquered the rebellion in arms could alone be safely intrusted with the conflict with the rebellion in the equally perilous field of diplomacy and politics.

Even if such a pledge had been given, it could only bind the party giving it, upon its acceptance by the other party. Not only has there been no such acceptance, but every one of the ten rebel States has rejected the amendment. The contract, if any was ever made, is clearly void for lack of acceptance by the party of the second part. Again, in the contest now going on in Congress, no scheme of reconstruction recognizes this amendment as a finality, and that its acceptance by any rebel State entitles such State to representation. The provisions of the Blaine amendment even show how the tide has risen since last June, and they prove that even "Conservative" Republicans do not regard this amendment as a finality.

If it is not a finality, of what value is it as even a part of the basis of reconstruction? No rebel State has ratified it; there is no indication that one of them will ratify it. The purpose of Congress is perfectly clear not to admit any such State solely on the ground of its ratification without additional guarantees; and if Congress has the right to require, as conditions of admission, additional guarantees outside of the requirement of the amendment, then it is certainly competent for Congress to require all the guarantees contained in the amendment, just as well if the amendment be not ratified as if it be. Behind all this looms the imminent danger that if the amendment should receive the forms of ratification, and the South should consent to accept it on the best terms they could get, trusting to their traditional skill in putting their own constructions upon it, the Supreme Court might declare all the acts of Congress containing the additional guarantees null and void; and the amendment, stripped of all its statutory guarantees, would stand with its power to disfranchise colored citizens, and this baleful oligarchy, with its new inspiration of hate, become intrenched in our fundamental law. It is a finality so far as our action goes.

But whether this amendment was presented by Congress as a finality, or regarded as such by the States which have ratified it, is, after all, immaterial. Its ratification by Massachusetts makes it a finality so far as her action is concerned. That action is final, and places the whole matter beyond our control. Thenceforth it is remitted to the discretion of the rebel States themselves. There will then be two alternatives before them. First, they may conclude not to ratify the amendment, trusting, as they may with entire confidence, to the Supreme Court to decide that it is null and void on two grounds: either, that it requires the ratification of three-quarters of all the States including the rebel States, or that Congress, not representing all the States, could not constitutionally propose an amendment; or, secondly, they may conclude to ratify it, relying upon their own skill in evading the disabilities imposed by the third section, or in inducing Congress to remove them. If they refuse to ratify, our ratification is simply inoperative. If they ratify and run for luck, we have placed it in their power to disfranchise all colored citizens, to perpetuate the present reign of terror throughout the South, to banish Northern capital and industry from the soil we have fertilised with our own best blood, and to put our only and best friends under the heels of our and their worst enemies.

There is another feature of this second section which seems to have attracted little public attention, but which should receive the gravest consideration of the Legislature. "When the right to vote, &c., &c., is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such State, being twenty-one years of age and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridged, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens twenty-one years of age in such State."

Now, by the Constitution of Massachusetts, the right to vote is denied to certain of her inhabitants, being twenty-one years old and citizens of the United States. These are 1st, paupers; 2d, persons under guardianship; 3d, persons who have not resided in the State one year, and in the town or district six months; 4th, persons who have not paid a State or County tax in the State within two years. In regard to every one of these classes, the meaning is explicit. Such persons shall not be entitled to vote. We express no opinion of the wisdom of these limitations. Nor is it the question what interpretation might be put upon the Amendment and upon these provisions by Massachusetts men. We are to look at possible and probable interpretations by an unfriendly court. It would give an opportunity to put Massachusetts "out in the cold," which a partisan tribunal would hardly fail to seize.

It is true that Massachusetts can remove these limitations by amending her Constitution, and thus secure full representation. But this would require two or three years. And if the Supreme Court should decide, as it must be admitted it could legitimately do, that the requirement of the payment of a tax is an abridgment of the right to vote, our entire basis of representation is annihilated at one fell swoop.

Section 3 of the proposed amendment is well, as far as it goes; but it is lamentably short of the exigencies of the hour. It simply declares that former members of Congress, officers of the United States, members of State Legislatures, and executive or judicial officers of any State, who ever took an oath to support the Constitution of the United States, shall be ineligible to any office, civil or military, under the United States, or under any State. The number thus excluded is very small, at most but a few thousands, out of a million or more voters. But even this number may be reduced, almost at pleasure, through the difficulty in proving that such oath had ever been taken, in the case of members of State Legislatures, State executive or judicial officers, &c., comprising the larger part of the persons declared ineligible. But admitting that every one of these classes could be reached, the number is too insignificant and the disability too limited to be of effective service. Every one, even of these perjured rebels, retains the elective franchise under the amendment; and their influence as recognized natural leaders would be hardly less potential in securing the election of representatives of their ideas than if they themselves were eligible to office. The immediate effect of the amendment, then, if it becomes the basis of reconstruction, would be the election of members of Congress from the South practically by these very leaders, who, joined by their natural allies from the North, would secure the two-thirds vote of Congress to remove the disability.

The classes here put under disability comprise by no means the worst of the rebel elements of the South. Indeed, we think the whole experience of the war has shown that the bitterest haters of the North, the most brutal butchers of prisoners and of Southern loyalists, are the men who never held the offices referred to; and these are the men—without experience in affairs, without the education which association with citizens of other sections of the country gives to public men, without even the humanizing influences which war exerts upon the true soldier—the guerrillas and bushwhackers, with hands dripping with the blood of loyal men and women—these are the men to whom the amendment opens the door of Congress.

Section 5, says: "The Congress shall have power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article." The power here given to Congress is, of course, limited by the provisions of the article itself, and the adoption of the amendment will not enlarge, nor its rejection curtail, the powers now conferred upon Congress by the Constitution. The limitations and regulations upon the rights of suffrage and eligibility to office embodied in the Reconstruction Bill, which Congress has passed, apply to all elections, preliminary to the adoption of State Constitutions, and the State Constitutions are required to contain these same limitations and regulations, and Congress retains the power of approving or rejecting these Constitutions before they go into operation. Manifestly, the ratification of this amendment is not necessary to the exercise of this power by Congress of plenary control over the organization of State Governments in these Territories, up to the point of dictating the provisions of the State Constitutions in relation to suffrage. The exercise of this power by Congress is derived from the present Constitution, and is not strengthened by this amendment. By necessary inference, Congress concedes its ability to interfere with suffrage in these States after the State Governments are organized, and their Constitutions are approved by Congress. If, then, any of these States, after their organization is thus perfected, should amend their Constitutions by disfranchising colored citizens, as they could clearly claim the right to do under the second section of the amendment, Congress, by its own acts, and by force of this amendment which we are asked to ratify, is precluded from interfering. The "appropriate legislation" authorized by the fifth section could not reach this vital subject except by a stretch of construction which is equally admissible under the present Constitution.

The odious character of the concession of power to the rebel States to disfranchise colored citizens, which has been already alluded to as one of the most objectionable features of the amendment, is intensified by the consideration that it meets the universal protest of the disfranchised class. It is easy for white men, who practically wield the whole political power of the country, to regard with comparative indifference the rights of long-proscribed classes; but Massachusetts can rise to the height of this great argument, and, viewing the subject from the standpoint of the disfranchised race, while it adopts the fundamental principle that all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, owes it to herself to demand that the rights of unrepresented classes shall not be betrayed. From the first shot upon Sumter, the negro held the fate of the Union in his hands. Had the leaders of the rebellion dared to offer justice to the black man; had JEFFERSON DAVIS anticipated, by a few months, the reluctant movements of our Government, secession would have been an accomplished fact, and the Confederate States would have been among the recognized nations of the earth five years ago. The negro responded to our selfish and unwilling appeal—we put him into the Northern scale, and the Southern scale touched the beam. What treatment is due to such allies? Disfranchisement by the Government they saved!

There is no occasion for haste in acting upon this amendment. It any proposition is settled in regard to the rebel States, it would seem to be this—that in not one of them is there a proper constituency for the basis of a republican, Christian Commonwealth; and there is no hope of the growth of such a constituency if the machinery of organization is left, as it is by this amendment, in rebel hands. But let it once be settled that it is the unalterable purpose of the loyal people that rebel States shall not be admitted to Congress until satisfactory evidence is given that they are prepared to organize commonwealths founded upon republican ideas, and the process of conversion in the rebel large majority, even of those communities, will accept the inevitable.

Again, if the theory be adopted that ratification by three-fourths of the loyal States only is necessary, then that is already secured. And if this theory be discarded, as is probable, then it requires three-fourths of the whole number of States, including the rebel States, to give validity to the amendment. Twenty States have already ratified, viz.: Maine, New-Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missouri, Kansas, Oregon, Nevada, Tennessee and West Virginia. Delaware and Kentucky have rejected it. Four have not yet acted, viz.: Massachusetts, Iowa, California and Maryland. If all of these four States should ratify, the whole number ratifying would be but twenty-four, and it will require ratification by three at least of the rebel States. Whenever the requisite number of rebel States have ratified, it will be time enough for Massachusetts to consider whether she needs to turn her back upon her history by giving her consent to the disfranchisement of colored citizens. Why should we tie our hands before we know what the other party to the compact will do? If these States do all that Congress demands of them, what need of the amendment at all?

The tide daily rises higher. Yesterday's high-water mark is under water to-day. To-day's mark will be under water to-morrow. This amendment which measured the highest average opinion of Congress last June, could hardly command a majority of either House to-day. Then, Congress was content with saying that disfranchised citizens should not form a part of the basis of representation in Congress. Already Congress declares by statute that no classes shall be disfranchised in the rebel States. In a few months, probably weeks, Congress will be ready to propose for ratification an amendment to the Constitution founded upon the fundamental principle of our institutions that there shall be no disfranchisement on account of color or race.

The concession of this power to disfranchise colored citizens, removes the element which would be most potential in securing reconstruction upon its only permanent basis, and thus postpones it to a far off and uncertain future. If reconstruction be initiated and organized on the basis of this amendment, it will inevitably be under rebel control, and so inevitably, the blacks will be excluded from all agency in the work. It seems hardly possible to conceive a greater act of futility than this of placing it in the power of rebels to exclude half a million loyal voters from all voice in the reconstruction of those States. We do not speak of it as partisans. We feel that it would be simple madness—political suicide. But we speak as patriots, and as such we have the right to demand that no plan of reconstruction shall be sanctioned which does not secure the full exercise of the only power which can be expected to found Commonwealths truly loyal to a Federal Republican Government.

A Frightful Scene in a Boston Court—A Prisoner Attempts to Commit Suicide.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BOSTON, Friday, March 1.

A terrible scene occurred in a court-room this afternoon. WILLIAM H. ORNE, who was convicted in July last of setting fire to a building in Charlestown, was granted a new trial, and to-day he was found guilty of the charge preferred against him in the Superior Court at East Cambridge. After the finding of the Jury, the prisoner was asked by the Judge if he had anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced against him.

ORNE made a short speech, in which he declared his innocence, and at its conclusion unbuttoned his vest, and throwing it open, displayed in his hand a hideous knife which had been passed to him stubbedly by a friendly spectator. Coolly and desperately he pointed the weapon at his breast, and then plunged it three times into his body within a few inches of the heart. The Court and spectators were for the time overcome by this extraordinary attempt at suicide, and it was several minutes before any one dared approach the prisoner.

ORNE sunk to the floor bleeding profusely, and was taken out of the Court-room amid deathly silence, and conveyed to the jail on a stretcher. He was living at a late hour this evening.

Attempted Suicide by a Prisoner in Court at East Cambridge.

BOSTON, Friday, March 1.

The Superior Criminal Court in session at East Cambridge was the scene of a tragedy this afternoon that is seldom witnessed in this part of the country.

A man named WILLIAM H. ORNE who was convicted last Fall with another man who is now serving out a life sentence in the State Prison for setting fire to a public building in Charlestown, and who had obtained a new trial, had just been convicted a second time by the Jury, and was about to be sentenced by Judge RUSSELL, when his counsel went to him to the dock and spoke a few words to him; after which ORNE declared his innocence of the crime of which he had been convicted, and just as he had made the assertion the second time he unbottoned his vest, and drawing an open jack-knife from his pocket, stabbed himself three times before the weapon could be wrested from him. As soon as an examination could be made it was found that two of the wounds had penetrated the lungs, and the other one had nearly touched the heart—the intention of the man having been evidently to destroy life. He was at once conveyed to the jail adjoining the Court-house, but there is scarcely a possibility of his living. He has been convicted twice before for crime, and has served for the first offence two years in the House of Correction, and for the second four years in the State Prison.

Gov. Swann, of Maryland, Declines the United States Senatorship.

BALTIMORE, Friday, March 1.

Gov. SWANN to-day sent a message to the Legislature, declining the United States Senatorship to which he was lately elected, from the 4th of March, 1867. He says the honor had been conferred on him without solicitation or agency on his part. It was his purpose to accept, but he has been visited by so many and urgent appeals from representative men of the State, that he did not feel at liberty to consult any individual preferences of his own, and he had no motive of personal ambition, if it could be supposed for a moment that such a motive could influence him to disregard his paramount obligations to his native State.

With a brief explanation, he declines the honor, and adheres to the Gubernatorial chair of the State.

The Mexican Loan—Card from Mr. Daniel Woodhouse.

NEW-YORK CITY, Friday, March 1, 1867.

On the 26th of January last a card was published by the Secretary of the Mexican Legation, relating to the contract between the United States, European and West Virginia Land and Mining Company and the Government of Mexico, through its representative, Gen. J. M. J. CARVAJAL, containing untrue statements concerning that contract, and the bonds authorized thereby. Some of my friends having expressed surprise that no public reply was made by me, I desire to say for their information, that upon seeing the card above alluded to I forthwith laid before the Government of the United States all the facts and documents needful for a confutation thereof, and a complete vindication of myself and the Company I represent.

DANIEL WOODHOUSE, President.

Rev. Dr. Holdich.

Among the many testimonials given to the Colton Dental Association from distinguished persons, the following from Rev. Dr. Holdich, Secretary of the American Bible Society, is selected:

NEW-YORK, Feb. 21, 1867.

This is to certify that Dr. G. Q. COLTON, of No. 19 Cooper Institute, by the use of nitrous oxide, or laughing gas, extracted the root of a tooth for me. The operation did not cause the slightest pain, nor was it followed by any unpleasant results. JOSEPH HOLDICH.—*Advertisement.*

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MORE TRIUMPHS FOR Herring's Patent Safes. GREAT FIRE AT WELLSVILLE. HERRING'S SAFE AHEAD OF ALL OTHERS.

WELLSVILLE, N. Y., Feb. 18, 1867.

Messrs. Herring, Farrel & Sherman, No. 251 Broadway, New-York:

GENTLEMEN: On the morning of the 16th of February our town met with a severe calamity—twenty-four buildings were burned to the ground. Our grocery-store—a frame building, three stories high—was consumed by the devouring flames. We had one of your Champion Fire-proof Safes in use, containing our books and papers and some bank bills, all of which came out unharmed, although your Safe was surrounded by very combustible liquids—a quantity of kerosene oil on the south side of it, and a considerable quantity of linseed, lubricating and whale oils on the north side of it; also, nine or ten barrels of brandies and other liquors in close proximity to it, with nothing but a wood partition between these and the Safe, all of which were burned around it.

Your Champion Safe owned by us was subjected to a fire three times as terrific, and twice the length of time, as the safe of another make owned by York & Chamberlain, and our books came out in better condition than theirs.

Yours, truly, JUDD & CO.

We, the undersigned, fully concur in the above statement.

HOYT & LEWIS, Bankers.
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Messrs Herring, Farrel & Sherman, New-York:

MOBILE, Ala., Feb. 13, 1867.

GENTS: My store was totally consumed by the great fire on Saturday night, Feb. 9, which destroyed nearly a whole square of buildings in the centre of the business portion of our city. I had one of your Patent Champion Safes in use. On Sunday I reached it and found it too hot to open. I left it in the ruins to cool until Monday, when I got it open. The money, papers and books, with other contents, were preserved in excellent condition. The covers of the books were drawn by the steam; otherwise they have no appearance of having been through one of the largest and hottest fires that ever took place in Mobile. Every word and line is perfectly legible, and I am more than pleased with the result.

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GREAT FIRE AT WILLOUGHBY, OHIO.

Great part of the town destroyed.

WILLOUGHBY, Ohio, Jan. 24, 1867.

Messrs. Herring, Farrel & Sherman:

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CARPENTER—LYON.—On Thursday, Feb. 28, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. Dr. T. S. Childs, H. G. CARPENTER, of Jersey City, N. J., to Miss SUSIE A. LYON, of Norwalk, Conn.

METCALFE—WHITLOCK.—On Tuesday, Feb. 26, by Rev. Dr. Tyng, JOHN T. METCALFE, M. D., to SUSAN S. WHITLOCK, daughter of William Whitlock, Jr.

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PENNSYLVANIA STATE LOAN.

PROPOSALS FOR A LOAN OF $20,000,000.

AN ACT to create a loan for the redemption of the overdue bonds of the Commonwealth.

Whereas, The bonds of the Commonwealth, and certain certificates of indebtedness, amounting to twenty-three millions of dollars, have been over-due and unpaid for some time past; and,

Whereas, It is deemed that the same should be paid and withdrawn from the market: therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That the Governor, Auditor-General and State Treasurer be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow, on the faith of the Commonwealth, in such amounts and with such notice (not less than forty days) as they may deem most expedient for the interest of the State, twenty-three millions of dollars, and issue certificates of loan or bonds of the Commonwealth for the same, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first of February and first of August, in the City of Philadelphia; which certificates of loan or bonds shall not be subject to any taxation whatever for State, municipal or local purposes, and shall be payable as follows, namely: Five millions of dollars payable at any time after five years, and within ten years; eight millions of dollars payable at any time after ten years, and within fifteen years, and ten millions of dollars at any time after fifteen years, and within twenty-five years: and shall be signed by the Governor and Auditor-General, and countersigned by the Auditor-General, and registered in the books of the Auditor-General, and to be transferable on the books of the Commonwealth, at the Farmers' and Mechanics' National Bank of Philadelphia: the proceeds of the whole of which loan, including premiums, at sixes, received on the same, shall be applied to the payment of the bonds and certificates of indebtedness of the Commonwealth.

SEC. 2. The bids for the said loan shall be opened in the presence of the Governor, Auditor-General and State Treasurer, and awarded to the highest bidder: Provided, that no certificate hereby authorized to be issued shall be negotiated for less than its par value.

SEC. 3. The bonds of the State and certificates of indebtedness, now over due, shall be receivable in payment of the said loan, under such regulations as the Governor, Auditor-General and State Treasurer may prescribe; and every bidder for the loan now authorized to be issued shall state in his bid whether the same is payable in cash or in the bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the Commonwealth.

SEC. 4. That all trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, agents, treasurers, committees, or other persons, holding in a fiduciary capacity, any certificates of indebtedness of the State, or money, are hereby authorized to bid for the loan hereby authorized to be issued, and to surrender the bonds or certificates of loan held by them at the time of making such bid, and to receive the bonds authorized to be issued by this act.

SEC. 5. Any person or persons standing in the fiduciary capacity stated in the preceding section, or who may desire to invest money in their hands for the benefit of the trust, may, without any order of court, invest the same in the bonds authorized to be issued by this act, at a rate of premium not exceeding twenty per centum.

SEC. 6. That from and after the passage of this act, all the bonds of this Commonwealth shall be paid off in the order of their maturity.

SEC. 7. That all loans of this Commonwealth, not yet due, shall be exempt from State, municipal or local taxation after the interest due February first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, shall have been paid.

SEC. 8. That all existing laws, or portions thereof, inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

JOHN P. GLASS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
L. W. HALL,
Speaker of the Senate.

Approved the second day February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven. JOHN W. GEARY.

In accordance with the provisions of the above act of Assembly, sealed proposals will be received at the office of the State Treasurer, in the City of Harrisburgh, Penn., until 12 o'clock M., on the 1st day of April, A. D. 1867, to be indorsed as follows: Proposals for Pennsylvania State Loan." Treasury Department, Harrisburgh, Penn., U. S. A.

Bids will be received for $5,000,000, reimbursable in five years and payable in ten years; $5,000,000 reimbursable in ten years and payable in fifteen years; and $10,000,000 reimbursable in fifteen years and payable in twenty-five years. The rate of interest to be either five or six per cent. per annum, which must be explicitly stated in the bid, and the bids most advantageous to the State will be accepted. No bid for less than par will be considered. The bonds will be issued in sums of $50, and such other sums as desired by the loaners, to be free from State, local and municipal taxes.

The over-due bonds of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be received at par in payment of this loan, but bidders must state whether they intend to pay in cash or in the over-due bonds aforesaid.

No distinction will be made between bidders paying in cash or over-due loans.

JOHN W. GEARY,
Governor of Pennsylvania.
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State Treasurer.

N. B.—No newspaper publishing the above, unless authorized, will receive pay.

CITY OF KEOKUK 8 PER CENT. NEW BONDS.—FOR SALE—A few of those well-secured and desirable Bonds recently issued by HENRY SMYTHE, Esq., Trustee, Twenty years to run, at 8 per cent. Interest payable at the CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, 1st of January and 1st of July. These Bonds have guarantees of the highest character, and are amply provided for. A limited amount at par only. Apply to

J. F. FRANKLIN, No. 122 Broadway, New-York.

THE LENOX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY have removed to the offices of the Harmony Insurance Company, No. 52 Broadway.
GEORGE A. JARVIS, President.
WALTER M. FRANKLIN, Secretary.

PARIS EXHIBITION, 1867.—JOHN ARTHUR & CO., No. 16 Rue Castiglione, agents to the British and American Embassies, establish in 36 years, undertake to represent exhibitors, bank and exchange, h. use and estate agents, commission, transit agents and wine merchants. Every information gratis.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Locomotive Engine Safety Truck Company will be held at their office, No. 50 Cortlandt-st., New-York, on TUESDAY, March 12 inst., at 12 M., for the transaction of such business as may legally come before them. JOEL C. LANE, Secretary.

ADVANCES MADE ON WATCHES, JEWELRY and Diamonds, by GEO. C. ALLEN, No. 416 Broadway, one door below Canal-st.

FINANCIAL.

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ALL CLASSES OF UNITED STATES FUNDS

Credited or Remitted for on Receipt, at Market Rates, FREE OF ALL COMMISSION CHARGES.

CLOSING PRICES.

NEW-YORK, March 1, 1867.

	Buy.	Sell.		Buy.	Sell.
Registered '81...	110¾	110¾	Pacs. 6-20.....	104⅝	105⅜
Coupon, 1881.....	113⅜	113⅝	July, '65.....	105⅜	105⅝
5-20 Regist'd '62.	107⅛	108	Jans. O.L. N'Y's.	114¼	114⅝
5-20 Coupon, '62.	110⅜	111	July, O.L. N'Y's.	114	114⅜
5-20 Coupon, '64.	108⅛	108¾	Aug., O.L. N'Y's.	113⅞	114
5-20 Coupon, '65.	108⅜	108⅝	Oct., O.L. N'Y's.	113⅝	113⅞
5-20 new, '65.	106⅝	106⅞	Dec., O.L. N'Y's.	113¼	113⅝
10-40 Registered.	97	98¼	May, O.L. N'Y's.	112⅝	112⅞
10-40 Coupon.....	98	98¼	Aug., O.L. N'Y's.	111⅝	111⅞
Gold.....	139¼	139½	Sept., O.L. N'Y's.	111⅜	111
August, 7-30.....	105⅞	106	Oct., O.L. N'Y's.	110⅝	110⅞

We keep on hand a supply of

NEW 5-20 BONDS

to give in exchange for all issues of

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paying the market rates for Treasury Notes, and selling the Bonds at a price to make it advantageous for correspondents to make the exchange.

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FOR SALE.—A LIMITED AMOUNT OF Morris and Essex Railroad Company 1st mortgage 7 per cent. bonds, 50 years to run, interest payable May and November.
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And execute orders for purchase and sale of STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.

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Apply to GEORGE C. DUNBAR,
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ISSUE CIRCULAR NOTES
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Available for all the Principal Cities in the World.
MAKE MERCANTILE CREDITS
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ESTABLISHED FIFTEEN YEARS.
Insurances, City Railroads, Gas-light, Bank, Telegraph, Express, Manufacturing and Mining Stocks received on special attention, and some on hand for sale, paying from 10 to 20 per cent. dividends, at low rates for investments.

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OF ALL ISSUES
Can have them exchanged for the
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on the most favorable terms, without delay, by applying to
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NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

QUEENS COUNTY INTEREST.

The interest, due March 1, on the bonds of Queens County, also any bonds maturing at that date will be paid at the Jamaica National Bank of Brooklyn, or by the Treasurer at his office in the village of Flushing.
CHARLES L. ROE, County Treasurer.

1866.
OFFICE OF THE
SUN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY,
INSURANCE BUILDINGS,
No. 49 WALL-ST.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 30, 1867.

The following statement of the affairs of this Company is published in conformity with the requirements of the 10th section of the act of its incorporation:

Premiums on unexpired risks, Dec. 31, 1865..... $640,311 60

Received during the year to Dec. 31, 1866:

On Marine Risks.....	$2,383,246 07
On Inland Risks.....	212,103 14—2,595,749 21
Total.....	$3,236,060 92

The amount of earned Premiums during the year, less return premiums, was..... 2,120,322 30

Losses paid during the year:

On Marine Risks.....	$2,392,018 81
On Inland Risks.....	205,749 99
Expenses and Reinsurance.....	278,638 34
Total.....	$2,876,407 14

The assets of the Company on the 31st December, 1866, were as follows, viz.:

Real Estate and Bonds and Mortgages.....	$447,650 00
United States 6 per cent. Loans on Stock, Accrued Interest on Bonds and Mortgages and Loans, Rents of Real Estate, Salvage, &c.....	426,548 42
Cash.....	91,778 04
Bills Receivable.....	943,564 68
Premium accounts not yet collected.....	84,345 25
Scrip of sundry Mutual Insurance Companies.....	3,103 00
Total.....	$1,988,989 39

The foregoing statement has been made to conform strictly to the requirements of the Company's charter.

The receipts and expenditures of the Company for the year ending 31st December, 1866, have been as follows:

Expenditures for Marine Losses, Return Premiums, Expenses, &c.....	$3,508,089 14
Receipts from Earned Premiums, Profits on Gold, &c.....	2,676,462 26
Excess of expenditures over receipts....	$833,606 88

The Company were liable at the end of the year for Unpaid Losses, Return Premiums, Commissions, &c., estimated at..... $648,611 43

Less to be received for advance in value of Real Estate, Stocks, &c., and for sundry Salvage, Reinsurance and other claims due the Company, estimated at..... 413,476 36— 235,135 07

Deficiency..... $1,168,791 95

Amount of outstanding Scrip called in and canceled..... $1,161,220 00

In view of the above result, the Board of Trustees have this day ordered that the outstanding Scrip or Certificates of Profits heretofore issued by the Company be reduced to eighty per cent thereof, and the Certificates issued therefor called in and canceled.

Holders of Certificates not heretofore redeemed are hereby notified of the action of the Board, and are requested to surrender their certificates at the office of the Company for cancelation.

The Board of Trustees also resolved that a subscription of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS of notes in advance of premiums be taken up, in addition to the cash capital of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS already subscribed, and not included in the above assets.

No fire risks, disconnected from marine, have been taken by the Company.

The Company, on the 31st December, 1866, held assets as above, valued at..... $1,988,989 39

The total of all ascertained and estimated liabilities on that day were, (exclusive of the amount of premiums on outstanding risks, $636,703 75..... 1,356,187 59

Cash capital subscribed, to be added..... $632,731 80
Making amount of assets standing with the Company, exclusive of the proposed subscription of notes in advance of premiums,..... $1,132,731 80

By order of the Board,
ISAAC H. WALKER, Secretary.

TRUSTEES:

MOSES H. GRINNELL,	WM. TOEL,
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MOSES H. GRINNELL, President.
EDWARD R. ANTHONY, Vice-President.
ISAAC R. WALKER, Secretary.

CHICAGO AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD BONDS FOR SALE.—Will be sold at public auction by JOSEPH L. HENSHAW, at the Merchants' Exchange Reading-room, in the City of Boston, on SATURDAY, March 2, 1867, at 12½ P. M., $100,000 of the First Mortgage Seven per Cent. Bonds of the Chicago and Cincinnati Railroad Company, with the coupons since October, 1862, inclusive, attached. The said Bonds are held as collateral for the notes of said Company, and will be sold for the non-payment thereof. The line of the road upon which said Bonds are secured is from Logansport to Valparaiso, in the State of Indiana, and now forms a considerable part of the important line is known as the "Chicago and Great Eastern Railroad." The securities may be examined on application to the auctioneer. The sale to be absolute, and purchasers will be required to pay to the auctioneer five per cent. on the amount of their bids as earnest money at the time of sale, and the balance within three days thereafter.

No. 53 EXCHANGE-PLACE,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 27, 1867.

PAST DUE COUPONS OF THE FIRST Mortgage 8 per cent. Bonds of the New-Boston, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad Company, exchanged for Second Series Mortgage 8 per cent. Bonds of said road, on application at our office.
DABNEY, MORGAN & CO.

OFFICE OF THE CHICAGO AND NORTHWESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY, 57 BROADWAY
NEW-YORK, Feb. 28, 1867.

COUPONS FROM THE BONDS OF THE Peninsula Railroad Company, due March 1, 1867, will be paid on and after that date on presentation at this office.
A. L. PRITCHARD, Treasurer.

ESSNISKILLEN PETROLEUM AND REFINERY CO.,
OFFICE NO. 48 BROAD-ST.,
NEW-YORK, March 1, 1867.

THE STOCKHOLDERS IN THIS COMPANY will meet on TUESDAY, March 12, 1867, at 2 P. M. By order of the Board of Trustees.
JAMES S. WHITE, Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

RODMAN, FISK & CO.,

BANKERS

AND

DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES,

NO. 1 WALL-ST.

Gold, Stocks, Bonds, &c., bought and sold at market rates on Commission.

Registered and Coupon Interest collected without charge.

Keep on hand First Mortgage Six per Cent. Gold-bearing Bonds Central Pacific Railroad Company.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY CO.,
No. 56 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Feb. 18, 1867.

THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE election of Board of Directors for the ensuing year, of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway Company will be held at the office of the Company, in the City of Pittsburgh, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of March, 1867, at 12 o'clock. The Stock Books and Transfers will be closed on March 5, at 3 P. M., and reopen 21st.
F. M. RUTCHINSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE CO.,
IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
No. 45 WALL-ST.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 18, 1867.

ELECTION NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL ELECtion for ten Directors of this Company, and for three Inspectors of Election will be held at this office on MONDAY, the 4th day of March next, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock P. M.
By order.
JOHN RADIE, Secretary.

STUYVESANT INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, March 1, 1867.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT at the annual election for twenty-five Directors and for three Inspectors of the next Election, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 128 Bowery, on TUESDAY, the 14th of March next.
The Poll will open at 10 M. and close at 1 P. M.
WM. F. LEGGETT, Secretary.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR ARMY TRANSPORTATION.

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18, 1867.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. on the 28th day of February, 1867, for the transportation of military supplies during the year commencing April 1, 1867, and ending March 31, 1868, on the following routes:

ROUTE NO. 1

From Fort McPherson, Nebraska Territory, or such points as may be determined upon during the year, on the Omaha branch of the Union Pacific Railroad, west of Fort McPherson, or from Fort Laramie, Dacotah Territory, to such posts or depots as are now or may be established in the Territory of Nebraska, west of longitude 104 degrees, in the Territory of Montana, south of latitude 46 degrees and east of longitude 112 degrees, and in the Territories of Utah and Colorado, north of latitude 40 degrees, including, if necessary, Denver City.

ROUTE NO. 2.

From Fort Riley, State of Kansas, or such points as may be determined upon during the year, on the Union Pacific Railroad, E. D., to any posts or depots that are now or may be established in the State of Kansas or in the Territory of Colorado, south of latitude 40 degrees north, and to Fort Union, New-Mexico, or other depot that may be designated in that Territory, and to any other point or points on the route.

ROUTE NO. 3.

From Fort Union or such other Depot as may be established in the Territory of New-Mexico, to any posts or stations that are or may be established in that Territory, and to such posts or stations as may be designated in Texas, New-Mexico, and in the State of Texas west of longitude 100 degrees.

ROUTE NO. 4.

From St. Paul, Minnesota, to such posts as are now or may be established in the State of Minnesota and in that portion of Dacotah Territory lying east of the Missouri River.

The vouchers to be transported during the year will not exceed on Route No. 1 thirty millions (30,000,000) pounds, on Route No. 2 twenty millions (20,000,000) pounds, on Route No. 3 five millions (5,000,000) pounds, and on Route No. 4 three millions five hundred thousand (3,500,000) pounds.

Proposals will be made for each Route separately.

Bidders will state the rate per hundred (100) pounds per hundred (100) miles at which they will transport the stores in each month of the year beginning April 1, 1867, and ending March 31, 1868.

Bidders should give their names in full as well as their places of residence, and each proposal should be accompanied by a bond, with sureties, in a thousand dollars ($10,000) signed by two or more responsible persons, guaranteeing that in case a contract is awarded for the route mentioned in the proposal to the party proposing, the contract will be accepted and entered into and good and sufficient security furnished by said party in accordance with the terms of this advertisement.

The contracter will be required to give bonds in the following amounts:

On Route No. 1 $250,000.
On Route No. 2 $200,000.
On Route No. 3 $100,000.
On Route No. 4 $50,000.

Satisfactory evidence of the loyalty and solvency of each bidder and person offered as security will be required.

Proposals must be indorsed:

"Proposals for army transportation on route No. 1, 2, 3 or 4," as the case may be, and none will be entertained unless they fully comply with the requirements of this advertisement.

The party to whom an award is made must be prepared to execute the contract at once, and to give required bonds for the faithful performance of the contract.

The right to reject any and all bids that may be offered is reserved.

The contractor on each route must be in readiness for service by the 1st day of April, 1867, and will be required to have a place of business or agency at which he may be communicated with promptly at each post or route No. 1, at Omaha, Nebraska Territory; for route No. 2, at Fort Riley, Kansas; for route No. 3, at Fort Union, New-Mexico; for route No. 4, at St. Paul, Minnesota, or at such other point for each of the several routes as may be indicated as the starting point of the route.

Blank forms showing the conditions of the contract to be entered into for each route can be had on application at this office, or at the office of the Quartermaster at New-York, St. Louis, Fort Leavenworth, Omaha, Santa Fe, Fort Laramie, and must accompany and be a part of the proposal.

By order of the Quartermaster General.
ALEXANDER B. BLISS,
Brevet Colonel and
Assistant-Quartermaster, U. S. A.

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22, 1867.

POSTPONEMENT OF OPENING BIDS FOR ARMY TRANSPORTATION.

The time for the opening of the proposals for army transportation, invited by advertisement from this office of Jan. 18, 1867, is hereby extended to 12 M. of THURSDAY, the 28th inst.
By order of the Quartermaster-General.
ALEXANDER BLISS,
Brevet Col. and Asst. Quartermaster U. S. A.

ARMY SUPPLIES.

OFFICE OF
ASSISTANT COMMISSARY-GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE,
NO. 4 STATE-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 27, 1867.

SEALED PROPOSALS (in duplicate) will be received by the undersigned until 1 o'clock P. M. on MONDAY, March 4, for supplying for the use of the United States Army, SUBSISTENCE STORES, to be delivered in New-York or Brooklyn, as follows, viz.:

250 dozen cans Peaches.	
250 dozen cans Oysters.	
62 dozen cans Assorted Jellies.	
62 dozen cans Assorted Jams.	
500 dozen cans Tomatoes.	
150 dozen cans Corn.	
150 dozen cans Peas.	

The cans to be hermetically sealed. Each to contain two pounds net, and to be packed twenty-four in a box; the boxes to be strongly made of pine, and strapped at the ends with green hickory, and marked in full with contents, name of contractor and date of packing.

The Proposals will state the price of each article.

Samples of all the articles must be delivered with the proposals, and referred to therein, and bidders may propose for the whole or any part of each.

A printed copy of this advertisement must be attached to each proposal, and the proposals must be specific in complying precisely with all the terms. Each bid, to have consideration, must contain the written guarantee of two responsible names, as follows:

"We, the undersigned, hereby guarantee that should all or any part of the above bid be accepted, it shall be duly fulfilled according to the true purport and conditions; also, that a written contract, with bonds to the amount of one-fourth the value of the stores proposed to be furnished, shall be executed, if required."

Payment, as heretofore, to be made in such funds as may be furnished by the United States.

Contractors are expected to hold their goods, without expense to the United States, until required for shipment.

Bids for Proposals will be furnished at this office, which must be inclosed in an envelope addressed to the undersigned, and indorsed "Proposals for Subsistence Stores."

H. F. CLARKE, Brt. Brig.-Gen. A. C. G. S.

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SEALED PROPOSALS

Will be received by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm sts., until Monday, the 4th day of March, 1867, at 12 o'clock noon, for the erection and completion of a new Grammar School-house, on the lots of ground on the south side of 115th-st., commencing 100 feet west of 3d-av., in said Ward. Plans and specifications for said school-house can be seen at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, 34 Crosby-st.

Proposals must state the estimates for each branch of the work separately, and be indorsed "Proposals for Mason Work," "Proposals for Carpenter Work," "Proposals for Painting."

Two responsible and approved sureties will be required from each successful bidder, and no proposal will be considered in which no sureties are named. The School Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals offered, if deemed for the public interest so to do.

DAVID H. KNAPP,
JOHN SCALLON,
LAWRON N. FULLER,
JOHN STRAITON,
CHARLES PLACE,
Board of Trustees Twelfth Ward.

Dated New-York, Feb. 26, 1867.

BROOKLYN REAL ESTATE.

ELEGANT HOUSES

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PROSPECT PARK.

LOCALITY

MORE ACCESSIBLE,
MORE BEAUTIFUL,
MORE HEALTHY

THAN

CENTRAL PARK.

Stylish new brown-stone houses, with all modern improvements, on Sackett, a delightful improved boulevard leading directly to the Park, will be sold by J. COLE, auctioneer, at the Commercial Exchange, No. 389 Fulton-st., Brooklyn, on WEDNESDAY, March 6, 1867, at 12 o'clock A. M.

FOR SALE—CHEAP, IN BROOKLYN, NEAR the corner of Marcy-av. and Monroe-st., two three-story and basement brick houses, and a two-story cottage. The lot is 100 feet square. The whole will be sold for $9,000. The brick-houses will sell separately for $3,000 each, and the cottage and vacant lots for $3,000. Inquire of S. BALDWIN & SON, No. 29 Washington-st., Brooklyn, or of ALLEN & BROWN, No. 26 Broadway, New-York.

$25,000 WILL BUY ONE OF THE handsomest brown-stone corner residences furnished, with extra size lot in Brooklyn, but a short distance from Prospect Park; possession immediately. Call and get permission to see it from S. MOSELOW, Montague-st., near Court, or A. VAN NOSTRAND, No. 383 Fulton-st.

FOR SALE.—ON NEWTOWN CREEK, THE 16 lots of land, with dock lately occupied by the Laurel Oil Works. Apply on premises, near Calvary Cemetery, to R. WALLACE, or HEYE, PALMER & RIES, No. 39 Broad-st.

A PHYSICIAN DECLINING PRACTICE. A fellow his house, recently located in Brooklyn, with the good-will of his business, on a reasonable price and on liberal terms. Particulars with H. L. RIDER, No. 39 Pine-st.

A THREE-STORY HIGH-STOOP BRICK house, Stock lot 18, in Bank-st.; good block; cheapest house in the City; with carpets, oil-cloths, gas-fixtures, &c., without them, $4,000. For permits, apply to premises, No. 127 Bank-st., after 11 o'clock.

FOR SALE.—100 FEET WEST OF BROADWAY on Houston-st., 47 feet front; the old buildings pay more than rent interest, and a new one would pay fifteen per cent. steadily. Apply to the owner at No. 54 Greene-st.

FOR SALE—THE LARGE EXTRA WELL-built three-story house and lot, No. 251 10th-st.; has stone fronts, mahogany doors, gas, range, hot and cold water; house 20 feet deep. Inquire of J. WANGLER, No. 348 10th-st.

FOR SALE—THE NEW BROWN-STONE FIRST-class four-story high-stoop house, with extension and lot, No. 47 West 20th-st., between 6th and 7th ave., finished in splendid style, with rosewood doors, &c. Inquire on the premises.

FOR SALE—ON 16TH-ST., NEAR UNION-square, a handsome three-story house, 26 feet wide, 55 feet deep; lot 103 feet deep; price $35,000. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—TWO FIRST-CLASS FOUR-STORY English basement houses on 33d-st., between Lexington and 3d avs., in perfect order, on the most reasonable terms. Apply to CHAS. RUSTON, 52 Nassau-st.

FOR SALE—THE NEW AND COMMODIOUS first-class private stable, No. 179 Lexington-av., having five stalls and ample carriage room. Apply at No. 215 Water-st.

A HANDSOME CORNER ON UNION-SQUARE for sale. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st. here

AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY.—A Real estate of all kinds, city and country, for sale or exchange. Houses and stores to let or lease; also, business chances, by P. A. BERT, 3:2 Grand-st., Williamsburgh.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—ONE OF THE MOST ELEGANT establishments in this City, located on 34th-st. between Madison and Fifth aves., 20 feet wide, built and finished in the very best manner for the present owner's occupancy, and now only used on account of his absence from the City. For particulars apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

A PRETTY THREE-STORY BRICK house in Harlem for sale low; all improvements; high-stoop, cut-stone, 121st.-st., between 5th and 6th ave.; also houses and lots in all parts of Harlem; several bargains. RAYNOR & PLATT, No. 1,040 3d-av., in Harlem Savings Bank, between 125th and 126th sts.

FOR SALE—THE FIRST-CLASS FOUR-STORY brown-stone front house and full lot No. 19 East 20th-st., between Fifth and 6th aves.; house and situation unsurpassed in the city. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st., or to MERRETT TRIBBLE, No. 46 John-st.

FOR SALE—IN CONSEQUENCE OF FAMILY going to Europe, four-story brown-stone elegant house on 20th-st., between Park and Lexington aves., with or without the furniture; one of the best houses offered for sale. Price $40,000 or $50,000 with furniture. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

A PHYSICIAN DECLINING PRACTICE. A fellow his house, recently located in Brooklyn, with the good-will of his business, on a reasonable price and on liberal terms. Particulars with H. L. RIDER, No. 39 Pine-st.

A THREE-STORY HIGH-STOOP BRICK house, Stock lot 18, in Bank-st.; good block; cheapest house in the City; with carpets, oil-cloths, gas-fixtures, &c., without them, $4,000. For permits, apply to premises, No. 127 Bank-st., after 11 o'clock.

FOR SALE—100 FEET WEST OF BROADWAY on Houston-st., 47 feet front; the old buildings pay more than rent interest, and a new

SHIPPING.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR;
AND
BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND CORK HARBOR.

JAVA leaves New-York, Wednesday, March 6.
ASIA leaves Boston, Saturday, March 16.
CUBA leaves New-York, Wednesday, March 20.
AFRICA leaves Boston, Wednesday, March 27.
EUROPEAN-ALBANIAN leaves New-York, Wednesday, April 3.
OSHNA leaves Boston, Wednesday, April 10.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage.....$150
Second Cabin Passage.....100

FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage.....$125
Second Cabin Passage.....80

Payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.
Berths not secured until paid for.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or valuables unless bills of lading having the value expressed are signed therefor.
For freight or passage, apply to
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ONLY DIRECT LINE TO HAVRE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.
The unsurpassed powerful and fast steamships for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River, as follows:
LAFAYETTE.....DUCHESNE.....SATURDAY, Mar. 2
VILLE DE PARIS.....DUMONT.....SATURDAY, Mar. 23
EUROPE.....LEMARIE.....SATURDAY, April 6
ST. LAURENT.....BOCANDE.....SATURDAY, April 20

PRICE OF PASSAGE (including wine)
payable in gold or equivalent in currency,
TO HAVRE.
First cabin, $130; second cabin, $100.
TO PARIS,
including railway tickets, furnished on board,
First cabin, $150; second cabin, $103.
Baggage checked through to Paris.
Medical attendance free of charge.
These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.
GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent. No. 58 Broadway

THE ONLY AMERICAN LINE TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

The New-York and Havre Steamship Company will run their first-class steamships ARAGO and FULTON in connection with the New-York Mail Steamship Company's steamers MISSISSIPPI and MERRIMAC, to Havre, carrying the United States mails, from Pier No. 46 North River, as soon, the following days, calling at Falmouth:
ARAGO.....H. A. Gadsden...Saturday, Feb. 16, 1867
MISSISSIPPI.....G. Sumner.....Saturday, March 2, 1867
FULTON.....S. Samuels.....Saturday, March 16, 1867
MERRIMAC.....E. Van Sice.....Saturday, March 30, 1867
ARAGO.....H. H. Gadsden...Saturday, April 13, 1867
MISSISSIPPI.....G. Sumner.....Saturday, April 27, 1867
and every fourteen days thereafter.
PRICES OF PASSAGE, PAYABLE IN GOLD,
FIRST-CLASS.....$120
SECOND-CLASS.....70
Through tickets to London $6 extra.

An experienced surgeon on board.
The companies will not be responsible for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.
C. K. GARRISON, for N. Y. M. S. S. Co.
JOS. J. COMSTOCK, for N. Y. and H. S. S. Co.
For further information apply to
JOS. J. COMSTOCK, Agent,
No. 7 Broadway.
JAMES A. WOOD, Havre,
General Agent in Europe.

NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.
(Limited.)
KEARNEY.

Steamers weekly to Liverpool, calling at Queenstown. The splendid first-class iron steamships of this line will be dispatched as follows from Pier No. 47 North River:
PENNSYLVANIA, LEWIS.....SATURDAY, Mar. 2
LOUISIANA, HARRINGTON.....SATURDAY, Mar. 9
THE QUEEN, CROGAN.....SATURDAY, Mar. 16
DENMARK, THOMSON.....SATURDAY, Mar. 23
ERIN, CUTTING.....SATURDAY, Mar. 30
And every Saturday thereafter.
An experienced Surgeon on each ship, free of charge.
Drafts issued for any amount, payable at any bank in Great Britain, or on the continent.
Cabin passage to Liverpool or Queenstown, $80 in gold; Steerage passage, $30 in currency.
Through passage to Paris, London, Antwerp, Hamburg, Berlin, &c., at lowest rates.
Steerage passage tickets to bring persons from Liverpool or Queenstown for $26, currency, can be obtained at No. 2 Broadway.
For freight or cabin passage apply at the office of the Company, No. 47 Broadway; for steerage tickets, at the passenger office of the Company, No. 27 Broadway, or No. 275 Pearl-st.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.

Calling at Londonderry to land mails and passengers.
The favorite passenger steamships of
THE ANCHOR LINE,
SAIL EVERY SATURDAY.
IOWA, CRAIG.....SATURDAY, March 16
CALEDONIA, MACDONALD.....SATURDAY, March 23
From Pier No. 44 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
To Liverpool, Glasgow and Derry—Cabins, $110 and $80; Steerage, $30.
Prepaid certificates from these ports to New-York, $35.
Passengers also forwarded to Hamburg, Havre, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates.
For further particulars apply at the Company's offices.
FRANCIS MACDONALD & CO., Agents,
No. 6 Bowling-green, New-York.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL—CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.—The Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carrying the United States mails:
CITY OF NEW-YORK.....SATURDAY.....Mar. 2
CITY OF MANCHESTER.....WEDNESDAY.....Mar. 6
CITY OF ANTWERP.....SATURDAY.....Mar. 9
CITY OF BOSTON.....SATURDAY.....Mar. 16
CITY OF BALTIMORE.....SATURDAY.....Mar. 23
and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon. From Pier No. 45 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE
By the mail steamers sailing every Saturday.
PAYABLE IN GOLD. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
First Cabin.....$110 | Steerage.....$30
First Cabin to London.. 115 | Steerage to London..... 35
First Cabin to Paris.... 145 | Steerage to Paris..... 45
Return tickets to Paris and back, $200 gold.
Passage by the Wednesday steamers, first cabin, $110; steerage, $30. Payable in United States Currency.
Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at moderate rates.
Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $40 currency. Tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.
For further information, apply at the Company's offices.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

CUNARD EMIGRANT LINE.

BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
FROM NEW-YORK EVERY WEDNESDAY.
TARIFA.....March 6
ALEPPO.....March 13
RATES OF PASSAGE:
Cabin.....$80 Gold.
Steerage.....$30 Currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown $35 currency.
Steerage Passage, apply at No. 69 Broadway.
For Freight and Cabin Passage, at No. 4 Bowling-green.
E. CUNARD.

LONDON AND NEW-YORK STEAMSHIP LINE.

Passage to London or Brest, $110, $75 and $30 currency.
Excursion tickets at reduced rates available for six months.
CELLA, Capt. GLEADELL, from New-York, Mar. 9.
WM. PENN, Capt. BILLINGS, from New-York, Mar. 16.
ATLANTA, Capt. FINLAY, from New-York, Mar. 30.
BELLONA, Capt. DIXON, from New-York, April 13.
The British iron steamship CELLA, will leave Pier No. 1 North River, for London, calling at Brest, on SATURDAY, March 9.
Until further notice all the steamers of this line will call at Brest to land passengers. Tickets sold through to Paris at 20 cents less than the usual rates.
Freight will be taken and through bills of lading given to Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, and Dunkirk.
For passage apply to CHAS. A. WHITNEY, No. 26 Broadway.
For freight apply at No. 54 South-st.
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

FOR HAVANA, VIA NASSAU, N. P.

The British and North American Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's new steamer CORSICA, Capt. LE MESURIER, will sail for the above ports, from the Company's wharf at Jersey City, on
SATURDAY.....March 9 | SATURDAY.....April 20
At noon.
Passage money to Nassau.....$45
Passage money to Havana.....60
Payable in gold or its equivalent.
For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

UNITED STATES MAIL TO HAVANA.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
EVERY SATURDAY, AT 3 P. M., FROM PIER No. 4 NORTH RIVER.
The elegant side-wheel steamships
CITY OF HAVANA.....BARTON.....SATURDAY, Mar. 2
MORRO CASTLE.....LEWIS.....SATURDAY, Mar. 9
EAGLE.....GREENE.....SATURDAY, Mar. 16
GARRISON & ALLEN, Ag'ts, 5 Bowling-green, N. Y.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.

UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month:
GUIDING STAR, Capt. GEO. R. SLOCUM, March 23.
NORTH AMERICA, Capt. THOS. FITZGERALD, April 23.
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKLEPAUGH, May 23.
These elegant steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagement of freight or passage, apply to GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

ST. JOHN'S, P. R., ST. THOMAS, LAGUAYRA AND PORTO CABELLO.

The first-class steamship
MERCEDITA,
carrying the United States mails,
is now receiving freight at Pier 26 East River, and will sail WEDNESDAY, March 6, at 2 P. M. The boats of this line make connection with steamers from St. Thomas for Jamaica, Windward Islands, &c. For freight or passage apply to SMITH & DUNNING, No. 45 South-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS—BLACK STAR LINE.

The steamship
ASHLAND, Capt. NORTON,
will leave on SATURDAY, March 2, from Pier No. 13 N. R., at 3 o'clock precisely.
For freight or passage, having superior accommodations, apply to
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
Corner Cedar and West sts.
DAVID McODARD, Agent in New-Orleans.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.

The new and first-class steamship GEORGE CROMWELL, Capt. E. B. HALL, will leave Pier No. 9 North River on SATURDAY, March 2, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations, apply to
H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 96 West-st.
The GENERAL GRANT will follow March 9.

STAR LINE FOR NEW-ORLEANS.—THE NEW-YORK MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S fine steamships will leave Pier No. 46 North River, at 3 P. M., as follows:
HAVANA, on SATURDAY, March 2.
MONTEREY, on SATURDAY, March 9.
MARIPOSA, on SATURDAY, March 16.
All bills of lading signed at the office upon the pier.
For freight or passage apply to
C. K. GARRISON, President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR RICHMOND, NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.

OLD DOMINION STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FROM PIER 37 NORTH RIVER, FOOT REACH-ST.
Steamship ALBEMARLE, Capt. BOWEN, leaves every WEDNESDAY at 12 o'clock noon.
Steamship HATTERAS, Capt. ALEXANDER, eaves every SATURDAY at 12 o'clock noon.
Giving through bills of lading to all points on the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad, and its connections.
Bills of lading signed on the pier.
For freight or passage apply to the office on the pier, or to
N. L. McCREADY, President,
No. 187 Greenwich-st., corner of Dey-st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—U. States passports, indispensable to travelers, issued by J. S. NONES, Passport Agent, 252 Broadway.

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GOLD MINES!

THE MONTANA AND IDAHO TRANSPORTATION LINE
WILL GIVE THROUGH BILLS LADING TO FORT BENTON, HELENA, VIRGINIA CITY, BANNOCK CITY, DIAMOND CITY, DEER LODGE, AND ALL POINTS IN THE MINING DISTRICTS.
All steamers of this line class A No. 1. We have our own trains to fulfill our contracts.
The A No. 1 flight draught steamer AMELIA FOE, THOMAS FOE, master, will leave SATURDAY, March 16, (or as soon as navigation is open in Omaha.)
The A No. 1 flight draught steamer YORKTOWN, G. W. EBERT, master, will leave on SATURDAY, March 23.
The A. No. 1 flight draught steamer G. A. THOMPSON, will leave TUESDAY, March 26.
The A No. 1 flight draught steamer DEER LODGE, ——— master, will leave WEDNESDAY, April 3.
The other boats of the line will be started during the season, as may be required.
For freight or passage, apply to
J. EAGER, Agent,
No. 41 Broad-st.; or
JOHN G. COPELIN, Agent,
S. E. corner Maine and Olive sts., St. Louis, Mo.

NEW-YORK & BREMEN STEAMSHIP CO.

THE FIRST-CLASS U. S. MAIL STEAMSHIP WESTERN METROPOLIS, WILLIAM WEST, Master, will leave Pier 46 N. R. on THURSDAY, March 7, at 10 A.M.
FOR SOUTHAMPTON AND BREMEN,
taking passengers to Southampton, London, Havre and Bremen, at the following rates, payable in gold or its equivalent in currency:
First cabin, $120; second cabin, $70; steerage, $27 50.
From Bremen, Southampton and Havre to New-York, first cabin, $125; second cabin, $75; steerage, 45.
EXCURSION TICKETS OUT AND HOME.
First cabin, $225; second cabin, $135; steerage, $75.
To be followed by the
ATLANTIC, Capt. C. HOTER.....April 6
BALTIC, Capt. A. G. JONES.....April 20
FURTHER DEPARTURES FROM NEW-YORK:
May 4, June 1, June 15, June 29, July 20.
For freight or passage apply to
ISAAC TAYLOR, President. No. 40 Broadway.

FROM NEW-YORK TO FRANCE
DIRECT.
STEAMSHIP GREAT EASTERN.
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.
Sir JAMES ANDERSON, Commander.
The French "Company of Charterers" of the GREAT EASTERN, having provided the ship with new boilers, and thoroughly refitted and refurnished her in every department, with special reference to this service, will run her regularly between New-York and Brest, as follows:

LEAVING NEW-YORK.	LEAVING BREST.
TUESDAY.....April 9	SATURDAY.....April 27.
THURSDAY.....May 16	TUESDAY.....June 4
SATURDAY.....June 22	THURSDAY.....July 11
TUESDAY.....July 30	SATURDAY.....Aug. 24
THURSDAY.....Sept. 19	TUESDAY.....Oct. 8
SATURDAY.....Oct. 19	THURSDAY.....Nov. 7

TAKING ONLY FIRST-CLASS PASSENGERS.
Passage rates in gold, or its equivalent, $140, $120, $100, according to location and size of room.
Return passage issued at a reduction of $20 to passengers returning previous to August. Passengers can be furnished on board with railroad tickets from Brest to Paris at the reduced rate of $30 50 for first-class and $7 50 for second-class, being a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates. Twenty cubic feet of baggage allowed to each passenger. Letters of credit issued for England and Continent.
For passage apply to WELLS, FARGO & CO., Passage Agents, No. 84 Broadway.
For freight, to WM. T. COLEMAN & CO., No. 117 Front-st.

GRAND EXCURSION.
TO THE PARIS EXPOSITION.
The new and first-class ocean-going iron steamship HAVANA, 2,000 tons burden,
STEPHEN WHITMAN, Commander,
will make an excursion trip to Liverpool and back, sailing from Pier No. 46 North River, on WEDNESDAY, April 17, at 12 o'clock M., taking passengers for Paris, London and Bremen. Returning, will sail from Havre on June 5, giving passengers holding excursion tickets about six weeks in Europe.
This magnificent steamship is divided into watertight compartments, and has been newly furnished and elegantly fitted up expressly for this voyage.
The HAVANA will carry only first-class passengers.
An experienced surgeon on board.
Price of passage, in currency, to Havre and return, $200 and $250, according to size of state-room. To Havre only, $150 and $175.
For further particulars and passage apply to the agents,
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., No. 62 South-st., or
THAYER & SARGENT, No. 28 South-st.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE TO JAPAN AND CHINA,
VIA PANAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL.
Steamer HENRY CHAUNCEY will leave Pier No. 47 North River, foot of Canal-st., New-York, at 12 o'clock noon on MONDAY, March 11, 1867, connecting via Panama Railroad with steamer MONTANA, for San Francisco, where passengers will be transferred to the Company's splendid steamer COLORADO, to leave that port at noon on WEDNESDAY, April 3, 1867, direct for Yokohama and Hong Kong.
Passengers who prefer to lie over ten days at San Francisco, Panama or Acapulco, can take the RISING STAR line on March 1, connecting with GOLDEN CITY.
Through tickets issued from New-York, adding to regular prices between New-York and San Francisco the following rates, payable in gold or its equivalent:

FIRST CABIN.	SECOND CABIN.
San Francisco to Yokohama....$35	$170
San Francisco to Hong Kong.... 300	200

Due notice will be given of subsequent voyages.
For through tickets and all further information, apply at the office on the wharf, Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., to
WM. H. NEBY, Agent.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE
TO CALIFORNIA,
CARRYING UNITED STATES MAIL,
VIA PANAMA RAILROAD.
Steamers leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock, noon, as follows:
MARCH 1.—RISING STAR, Capt. W. G. FURBER, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. WATKINS.
MARCH 11.—HENRY CHAUNCEY, Capt. A. G. GRAY, connecting with MONTANA, Capt. SUTTON.
MARCH 21.—OCEAN QUEEN, Capt. T. A. HARRIS, connecting with OCEAN CONSTITUTION, Capt. CAVARLY.
All departures touch at Acapulco; those of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for South Pacific ports; and 11th for Central American Ports, and those of 1st touch at Manzanillo.
Departure of 11th each month connects with the new steam line from Panama to Australia and New-Zealand.
Steamer of March 11, 1867, connects with the Company's steamer COLORADO, to save San Francisco for Yokohama and Hong Kong, on April 3, 1867.
200 pounds baggage allowed each adult. Medicines and attendance free.
For passage tickets and all further information apply at the office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River, New-York.
F. R. BABY, Agent.

NORTH AMERICAN STEAMSHIP CO.
OPPOSITION LINE TO CALIFORNIA,
VIA NICARAGUA EVERY TWENTY DAYS.
Will dispatch the first-class steamships
SAN FRANCISCO, Capt. PETERS, March 8,
SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Capt. CLOSE, March 30,
From Pier No. 29 North River, foot of Warren-st., at noon, with passengers and freight at very low rates. Connecting on the Pacific Ocean with the fine steamships
AMERICA, Capt. WAKEMAN, and
MONTANA, Capt. CARLTON.
For further information, apply to the North American Steamship Company,
WM. H. WEBB, President,
No. 54 Exchange-place, N. Y.
D. N. CARRINGTON, Agent,
No. 177 West-st., corner Warren-st., N. Y.

STEAM COMMUNICATION BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND AUSTRALASIA,
VIA PANAMA.

The Panama, New-Zealand and Australian Royal Mail Company will dispatch a steamer on the 24th of each month from Panama to Wellington, N. Z., and the Australian Colonies, connecting with the steamer of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company leaving New-York for Aspinwall (Colon) on the 1st of each month. First and second class passengers will be conveyed under through ticket at the following rates: From New-York to ports in New-Zealand, or to Sydney or Melbourne, $340 to $344 for first class, and $218 to $243 for second class, payable in United States gold coin.
Special attention is given to the newly-discovered gold region of Hokitika, New-Zealand.
Arrangements are now completed for issuing through bills of lading. Freight payable here.
For further information, application to be made to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, No. 59 Wall-st., or to
CHARLES J. WEST, Agent,
No. 29 William-st., New-York.

FOR SAVANNAH—EVERY THURSDAY.
The Atlantic Coast Mail Steamship Company's side-wheel steamships
GENERAL BARNES, Capt. MORTON, sails THURSDAY, March 7.
HERMAN LIVINGSTON, Capt. BAKER, sails THURSDAY, March 14.
From Pier No. 36 North River, at 3 P. M., precisely.
Through passage and through bills of lading to all points in connection with the Central Railroad of Georgia, and passage tickets with the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad to points in Florida. For freight or passage apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
No. 65 Liberty-st.

EMPIRE LINE FOR SAVANNAH.
Every SATURDAY from Pier No. 13 North River, Punctually at 3 o'clock P. M.,
The favorite sidewheel steamships
SAN SALVADOR, Nickerson, Commander, sails Mar. 2.
SAN JACINTO, Atkins, Commander, sails March 9.
Through tickets and bills of lading to all points in connection with the Central Railroad of Georgia, Atlantic and Gulf Railroad, and Florida steamers.
Elegant passenger accommodations.
GARRISON & ALLEN No. 5 Bowling-green, N. Y.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.—EVERY TUESDAY.—Murray's Steamship Line.—The new and elegant steamship LEO, A. G. DIMMOCK, Commander, will sail from Pier No. 16 East River, foot of Wall-st., on TUESDAY, March 5, at 3 o'clock P. M.
Through bills of lading and passage tickets given to all points in connection with the Georgia Central Railroad. Freight received daily. For freight or passage apply to
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO.,
Nos. 61 and 62 South-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.
THE PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
The regular and popular steamship MONEKA, Capt. LEARY, will leave on WEDNESDAY, March 6, at 5 P. M., from Pier No. 26 North River, lading freight on SATURDAY MORNING at Charleston.
Through tickets and bills of lading issued to all points South, in connection with the South Carolina Railroad.
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, 68 Liberty-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE FLORIDA PORTS AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.—The A 1 very fast and reliable steamship ANDALUSIA, WM. H. WEST, Commander, is now receiving cargo and will sail on SATURDAY, March 2, from Pier No. 14 East River, connecting at Charleston with the steamer DICTATOR for the Florida Ports. Through bills of lading and passage tickets issued to all of the principal points on the South Carolina and connecting railroads.
ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.

FOR GALVESTON, TEXAS.
The A 1 Screw-Steamer
WILMINGTON,
Capt. SPENCER,
will sail from Pier No. 30 East River,
SATURDAY, March 2.
For freight or passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION,
No. 71 Wall-st.
N. B.—Bills of Lading signed at the office.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—Citizens about to travel abroad may procure passports from A. C. WILLIAMSETH, U. S. Passport Agent, No. 41 Chambers-st.

SHIPPING.

DIRECT STEAMSHIP LINE
TO
ANTWERP AND NEW-YORK.
The undersigned will dispatch the first-class English iron steamer
OTTOWA, Capt. ANDREW.
From New-York.....SATURDAY, March 23
From New-York.....SATURDAY, April 13
taking passengers at the following rates:
First Cabin, (according to location of stateroom.)$75 to $90
Steerage.....$40
EXCURSION TICKETS AT
First Cabin.....$120 | Steerage.....$67 50
payable in gold or its equivalent.
Other first-class steamers will follow from either side every second SATURDAY.
Freight is taken at the lowest rates for Antwerp, Rotterdam and Amsterdam.
For passage or freight apply to
HENDERSON BROTHERS & CO., No. 3 Chambers-st.

THE OLD LINE
FOR RICHMOND, NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.
From Pier No. 31, North River,
Steamship SARATOGA, Capt. KING,
leaves every WEDNESDAY, at 3 P. M.
Steamship NIAGARA, Capt. S. BLAKEMAN,
every SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.
G. HRINSKEN & PALMORE,
No. 115 Broadway, Agents.

AUCTION SALES.

ROBERT A. HAGGERTY, Auctioneer.

REFEREE'S SALE.

J. F. PIERCE, Esq., REFEREE.

BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT, HAGGERTY & PHELPS will sell on TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 1867, at the Exchange Salesrooms, Trinity Building, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, the valuable

STORE PROPERTY,

ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PECK-SLIP AND FRONT-ST.
known as No. 35 Peck-slip and No. 297 Front-st.
About 50 per cent. may remain on Bond and Mortgage.
Maps and full particulars at the office of the auctioneers, No. 11 Pine-st.

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City residences, stores and lots, country seats and farms, bought, sold, rented and exchanged, loans negotiated, auction sales of furniture, &c.
TUESDAY, March 12.
At 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway.
Positive sale of ten brick and frame dwelling-houses, in the VIIth, IXth and XIIIth Wards of Brooklyn, and one brick house in Hoboken City. Also, thirty-one valuable building lots in the VIIth and XIXth Wards of Brooklyn.
SOUTH 5TH-ST.—East side, Nos. 168, 182 and 186; three three-story brick houses, each containing ten rooms.
HICKORY-ST.—South side, between Bedford and Franklin-sts.; three beautiful two-story and basement frame cottages, built in a superior manner; each house 19x34; each house contains nine rooms, water, gas and heater; good location and size of room.
DE KALB-AV.—South side, 75 feet east from Throop-av.; one handsome frame cottage house, with large extension; house built in best manner.
FULTON-AV.—South side, 128 feet 9 inches west of Schenectady-av.; one two-story frame cottage house, 18 feet 9 inches x28 feet, with large two-story extension.
WILLOUGHBY-AV.—South side, between Grand-av. and Ryerson-st.; five lots.
WILLOUGHBY-AV.—South side, opposite the above; three lots.
HEWES-ST.—Between Wythe and Bedford ave.; four lots.
WYTHE-AV.—Between Hewes and Hooper sts.; five lots.
SANDFORD-ST.—Southeast corner of Flushing-av.; one lot.
BALTIC-ST.—West side, between Howard and Saratoga avs.; six lots.
ALBATROSA-AV.—West side, between Baltic and Warren sts.; seven lots.

HOBOKEN CITY PROPERTY.
9TH-ST.—No. —, West side, between Garden and Bloomfield sts.; one two-story basement brick house, with extension; house is built in a superior manner, with Philadelphia front, Venetian blinds and bronze trimmings, and contains eleven rooms, with bath-room. Terms liberal. For maps and particulars apply at the office of the auctioneers, No. 29 Nassau-st., New-York.

LEAVITT, STREBEIGH & CO., Auctioneers.
BOOK TRADE SALESROOMS, No. 459 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.

100,000 PICTURE FRAMES.
SPECIAL TRADE SALE OF 100,000 PICTURE FRAMES, of all sizes and varieties of styles, ovals and arched tops, finished in rosewood and gold; also in composition, suitable for portraits, photographs, &c., &c.; all regular goods, from one of the first manufacturing houses in this country, and warranted made of the best material and in the best manner. This is the first sale of this kind ever offered to the public, and is well worthy the special attention of dealers in frames. To be sold by auction, without reserve, at the Trade Salerooms, No. 459 Broadway, by LEAVITT, STREBEIGH & CO. on TUESDAY, March 5, at 11 o'clock A. M. Catalogues ready. Goods will be exhibited on the morning of the day of sale.

A. M. MERWIN, Auctioneer.
BY BANGS, MERWIN & CO.,
At their Salesrooms, Nos. 694 and 696 Broadway, corner of 4th-st.
MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS, March 4, 5 and 6, at 3 o'clock,
the entire MEDICAL LIBRARY of the late Dr. David Hosack. This library, which was selected with great care by the deceased in Europe, during the long period in which he held several professorships, comprises a vast variety of important, scarce and expensive books, with many presentation copies with the autographs of eminent authors inscribed. And also a few choice books relating to the history of America, &c. Catalogues are ready and will be sent to any address on application.

EDWARD M. BROWN, Auctioneer.
BY T. E. MINTURN,
THIS DAY, (Saturday,) March 2, at 11½ o'clock, on Pier No. 11 East River:
5,000 boxes fresh Naples Oranges.
Cargo brig Fortuna, from Naples.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.
PARTITION OF PROPERTY ON BROADWAY, FULTON, WALKER AND LISPENARD STS., BELONGING TO THE ESTATE OF WM. HOSACK. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction, on WEDNESDAY, March 13, 1867, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the Supreme Court, and under the direction of Aaron J. Vanderpool, Esq., Referee.
BROADWAY.—The valuable improved property on the southwest corner Broadway and Walker-st., and known as Nos. 597 and 599 Broadway.
WALKER-ST.—The store lots on the south side of Walker-t., adjoining above on the rear, and known as Nos. 6 and 8 Walker-st.
BROADWAY.—Strip of ground southeast corner Fulton-st., 4 feet 11 inches front on Broadway, and 160 feet 2 inches front on Fulton-st., it is now leased to lessees of adjoining property for $10,000 per annum and taxes until May 1, 1871; this lease is terminable by owner of strip on any 1st day of May during the term, on one year's previous notice.
FULTON-ST.—Valuable lot, with buildings, No. 144 Fulton-st., 27x107 feet.
BROADWAY.—Nos. 407 and 409, west side, between Lispenard and Walker sts., 52.6 front, 60.10 rear, by 103.2 in depth.
LISPENARD-ST.—No. 58, 19.6 west of Broadway; valuable lot with buildings, 23x91.3.
Book maps at the office of the auctioneers.
E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st.

A. J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.
SALE IN PARTITION UNDER P. T. BRUGGLES, REFEREE.—ON 47TH-ST., BETWEEN 6TH AV. 46TH AND 8TH STS. SALE PEREMPTORY, WITHOUT RESERVE.
BLEECKER, NON & CO., will sell at auction, on THURSDAY, March 7, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom:
4TH-AV.—8 lots whole front, between 96th and 96th sts.
97TH-ST.—21 lots, north side, adjoining the above.
98TH-ST.—22 lots, south side, adjoining the above.
ALSO,
3D-AV.—1 lot, west side, between 96th and 97th sts.
4TH-AV.—1 lot, west side, between 75th and 76th sts.
8TH-AV.—8 lots, east side, between 122d and 123d sts.
126TH-ST.—3 lots, north side, 200 feet east of 1st-av.
Maps at the office, No. 24 Pine-st.
At 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom:
WEST 54TH-ST.—Four-story brick house and lot, No. 403.
MULBERRY-ST.—Two-story and basement house and lot, No. 132.
Maps and particulars at No. 77 Cedar-st.

P. C. BUELEIT, Auctioneer.
POSITIVE SALE OF VALUABLE LOTS ON 16TH-ST.—220 feet 6 inches west from Avenue B, on THURSDAY, March 7, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway.
Maps at the office, No. 24 Wall-st.
Also, plot on south side of 123d-st., 51 feet west of 7th-av., 124 feet front by an average of 86 feet in depth.

TRUSTEES' SALE.—SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE BY THE TRUSTEES OF THE ESTATE OF SALOMON KOHNSTAMM.
Will be sold at public auction by E. H. LUDLOW & CO., auctioneers, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of March, 1867, at the o'clock precisely, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, the following valuable property:
1. Also that two-story house and lot of land known as Number One Hundred and Thirteen Leonard-street, in the City of New-York; dimensions of lot, 21 feet 3 inches in width by 61 feet in depth.
2. Also that two-story house and lot known as Number Two Benson-street, in said City; dimensions of lot, 23 feet in width by 80 feet in depth—adjacent to said lot Nos. 113 and 115 Leonard-street.
4. Also all that certain house and lot No. 50 Franklin-street, in said City; dimensions of lot, 25 feet in width by 100 feet in depth.
5. Also all that certain house and lot No. 52 Franklin-street, in said City; dimensions of lot, 25 feet in front by 100 feet in depth.
6. Also all that certain house and lot No. 54 Franklin-street, in said City; dimensions of lot, 25 feet in front by 100 feet in depth.
Maps can be had at the office of the auctioneers. And also a few choice books relating to the history of America, &c. Catalogues are ready and will be sent to any address on application.
For terms and particulars apply to WM. H. LUFF, No. 48 Wall-st.
JOSEPH STUART,
BENJAMIN WINKLE,
Trustees of the Estate of Salomon Kohnstamm.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 16, 1867.

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, Feb. 14, 1867.
FERRY LEASES AT AUCTION.—AT THE City Hall, on TUESDAY, 19th March, 1867, at eleven o'clock A. M., will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder, with adequate security, for the term of ten years from the first day of May, 1867.
The lease of the Ferry as now established from the foot of Whitehall-street to Staten Island.
The lease of the Ferry to be established from the foot of Twenty-third-street, North River, to Pavonia, N. J.
The said ferry leases will be sold with all the rights, privileges and advantages thereof belonging to the Corporation of the City of New-York.
Terms and conditions of sale may be had upon application at the Comptroller's office.
By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.
RICHARD B. CONNOLLY, Comptroller.

UNITED STATES EXCISE SALE.—Public notice is hereby given that the following articles, to wit: 1 marble-top buffet and contents of glassware, 2 office desks, 1 Stearns & Marvin safe, 1 letter-copying press, 12 Japan boxes for papers, 2 pictures, 1 iron washstand, bowl, pitcher and slop-jar; 1 tin box and contents of glassware, a lot of fine glassware, 3 pictures and 3 maps, surveying apparatus, 100 books and rack, 1 wagon-pole and whiffle-trees, 2 bedsteads, 1 bureau, 2 workstands, 2 ottomans, 1 whatnot, 1 hat-stand, 2 cases books, 5 boxes and contents of crockery, &c.; 4 cases goods, bedding, &c.; 1 nurse-chair, lot of window-shades, 2 Japan foot-baths, 1 aquarium, 2 pails, 1 waffle-iron, 1 tin pail, 1 spittoon, 1 Japanned box and contents, 1 lot flower-pots, 1 toilet-tub, 1 small box and contents, 1 set stair-rods, 1 Japanese umbrella, ¼ barrel and contents, 1 box and contents, 1 brush broom, 2 earthen jars, 1 engraving, 1 plated ice-pitcher, 1 dash, plated; 1 towel, 9 cut goblets, 1 glass pitcher, 6 glass vases, 1 glass fruit-dish, 3 tumblers, and $10 uncurrent and broken-bank money—have been distrained upon for the non-payment of taxes, and that the same will be sold at public auction, at the auction-room of RICHARD WALTERS, No. 27 East Broadway, New-York City, on the 5th day of March, 1867, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day.
SHERIDAN SHOOK,
Collector Thirty-second District of New-York.
Dated NEW-YORK, Feb. 21, 1867.

AUCTION SALES.

LEAVITT & STREBEIGH, Auctioneers.
BOOK TRADE SALESROOMS, NO. 459 BROADWAY.
THIS SATURDAY AFTERNOON,
At 3 o'clock precisely, at the Salesrooms, No. 459 Broadway, the
GRAND FEDERADE CONCERT,
From 3 to 6 P. M. Doors open at 12 M.
The Colossal Orchestrons engaged for the BAL D'OPERA having been secured for this Unique Matinée, will, under the able direction of
Messrs. HERRMANN, GRILL and GRAFULLA,
interpret during the three hours specified a most interesting and complete programme, full particulars of which will be announced hereafter.
TICKETS, ONE DOLLAR ONLY,
are now placed on sale, in order to obviate crowding and other disagreeable occurrences of persons desirous of attending.

THE INAUGURAL MATINÉE,
at the low-priced Academy of Music, Schubert's & Co.'s, No. 699 Broadway; Rose &

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repeal the section of the Tariff Bill taxing lastings, mohair cloth, &c, for shoes, ten per cent.

Mr. ROSS and others objected.

CALIFORNIA CANAL.

Mr. BIDWELL asked leave to introduce a bill granting lands to aid in the construction of a canal in California.

Mr. ROSS and others objected.

OREGON WAR BONDS.

Mr. LYNCH called up the motion to reconsider the vote laying on the table a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue to WM. PIERCE duplicate bonds for $350 in Oregon war bonds, lost on board the steamship *Golden Gate* in July, 1862.

The vote was NOT reconsidered.

CHANGE OF NAME.

The House resumed the consideration of business on the Speaker's table, and disposed thereof as follows:

Senate bill authorizing NATHAN SARGENT DUSTIN to change his name to NATHAN SARGENT, which was passed.

THE HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

Senate bill to incorporate the Howard University of the District of Columbia. Passed.

RELIEF FOR MAIL CONTRACTOR.

Senate bill for the relief of DEMPSEY REESE, mail contractor, of Indiana, relieving him from a contract entered into by mistake. Passed.

CHARTER OF WASHINGTON CITY.

Senate bill to amend the act to continue, alter and amend the charter of the City of Washington, authorizing the corporation to license insurance companies. Agreed to, with an immaterial amendment.

Mr. ROSS suggested an amendment that hereafter no license shall be given for the sale of ardent spirits. Ruled out of order.

STREET RAILROAD.

Senate bill extending time of completion of Metropolitan Street Railroad.

Mr. INGERSOLL moved an amendment authorizing the Metropolitan Railroad Company to occupy and use portion of the road of the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company on such terms as may be mutually agreed upon.

Mr. DARLING said that the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company had not asked for this bill, and that it would be an invasion of their rights and a fraud on the people.

Mr. MAYNARD, in view of the opposition of the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company, declared himself adverse to the amendment.

Mr. INGERSOLL could not see any force in the objection, as the amendment could have no effect except with the consent of the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company. The amendment was rejected and the bill was passed.

NATIONAL THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE.

Senate bill to amend the act incorporating the National Theological Institute. Passed.

MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, from the Committee of Conference on the Senate bill to provide for the allotment of members of the Supreme Court, made a report which was agreed to.

The House recedes from its amendment for the appointment of a United States Marshal by the Supreme Court of the District.

The House resumed the business on the Speaker's table and disposed thereof as follows:

THE ALEXANDRIA RAILROAD.

Senate bill to grant certain privileges to the Alexandria, Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company, which was passed.

LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS.

Senate bill authorizing limited partnerships in the District of Columbia, which was passed.

ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL.

Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported back the Senate amendments to the Army Appropriation Bill, which were disposed of as follows:

The appropriation of $250,000 for the Rock Island Bridge over the Mississippi, was first taken up.

Mr. SCOFIELD hoped the House would non-concur. This Congress had embarked in a great many things, but he believed this was the first time it had gone into the bridge business. He recollected that an old gentleman, writing to him once a letter of advice, told him to beware of bridges. [Laughter.]

Mr. PRICE advocated the appropriation, and stated the facts in connection with the proposed bridge.

The proposition gave rise to considerable discussion, which was participated in by Messrs. SCOFIELD, PRICE, SLOAN, SCHENCK, DAVIS, GRINNELL and others.

The amendment was non-concurred in—Yeas 89, nays 106.

The other amendments of interest were one appropriating $2,500 for the survey of a national park in Washington, which was non-concurred in.

Suspending for one year the operation of section 3 of the joint resolution of June 16, 1866, relative to the Military Academy.

Mr. ROSS moved to amend the amendment by regarding the section.

Mr. SCHENCK sustained that proposition.

Mr. ROSS' proposition was agreed to, and the Senate amendment, as amended, was concurred in.

Appropriating $150,000 for buildings near Jeffersonville, Ind., as storehouses for Government property. Non-concurred in.

Making it the duty of officers of the army, navy and the Freedmen's Bureau to prevent whipping or maiming of persons as a punishment for crime, by sentence of civil authorities, or courts, in the rebel States.

Concurred in, with an amendment making it apply also to sentences of Military Courts.

MILITARY GOVERNMENT FOR OHIO.

Pending its consideration Mr. LE BLOND submitted a resolution reciting the recent vote in the Ohio Legislature refusing to strike out of the State Constitution the word "white," thereby repudiating the action of the Republican majority in Congress, and instructing the Committee on Reconstruction to report a bill establishing a military government over the people of the so-called State of Ohio, until such time as the people thereof adopt a republican form of government. [Laughter.]

Mr. STEVENS thought he could almost agree to the resolution. He was not quite sure that Ohio should not be guaranteed a republican form of government and also Pennsylvania.

THE ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL CONTINUED.

Providing for the disbanding of the military forces in the late rebel States. Concurred in.

Allowing traveling expenses to volunteers mustered out in distant Territories. Concurred in.

The amendments being all disposed of, a Committee of Conference was asked on the disagreeing votes.

THE BANKRUPT BILL.

Mr. JENCKES, from the Committee of Conference on the Bankrupt Bill, made a report that the House recede from all disagreement to all the Senate amendments, except one from which the Senate is to recede. He explained that nine-tenths of the amendments were merely formal and verbal correcting the text. One essential amendment was to give the appointment of Registers to the District Court, the appointment to be made, however, on the nomination and recommendation of the Chief Justice. Another arrangement in reference to corporation was to confine the operation of the bill, as had been intended, to business, money or trading corporations.

Mr. MAYNARD moved to lay the conference report on the table, the effect of which would be to lay the bill on the table.

The vote was taken by yeas and nays, and resulted—yeas 71, nays 83. So the conference report was not laid on the table.

Mr. ELAINE, at 11:30 o'clock, moved that the House adjourn, which was negatived. Yeas 57, nays 90.

The previous question was seconded and the main question ordered on agreeing to the report.

Mr. LAWRENCE, of Ohio, renewed the motion that the House adjourn, and called for the yeas and nays. The yeas and nays were not ordered, and the House refused to adjourn.

These motions were of the filibustering order, and the refusal of the House to adjourn was probably owing in part to an appeal made by Mr. MORRILL, who said he expected the Senate amendment to the Tax Bill would be sent to the House within half an hour.

During these proceedings messages from the Senate were received at intervals of five or ten minutes, among them being the announcement that the Senate had passed the Tax Bill, with amendments, in which it requested the concurrence of the House.

The vote was then taken by yeas and nays on agreeing to the conference report on the Bankrupt Bill. The greatest interest and excitement were manifested on taking this final vote,—members crowding into the area, watching the result and endeavoring to change votes one side or the other. At one moment there was a majority of one in favor of the report, then a majority of one against it, then a change of a vote from aye to no, and another change from no to aye. Finally, to the great joy and relief of Mr. JENCKS, the author of the bill, the result was announced by the Speaker as yeas 73, nays 71; so the report was agreed to, and now goes to the Senate for its action.

The Senate amendments to the TAX BILL were then taken from the Speaker's table.

Mr. MORRILL moved to non-concur in the Senate amendments in gross and to ask for a Committee of Conference.

Mr. WILLIAMS proposed to demand the reading of the amendments in full, which would have occupied several hours. He did not, however, insist upon his right in that respect.

The motion was put and promptly agreed to.

So the amendment was non-concurred in, and a Committee of Conference asked.

The Committee appointed on the part of the House consists of Messrs. MORRILL, MOREHEAD and HOGAN.

At 11½ o'clock the House adjourned.

The following is the vote on the Bankrupt Bill:

YEAS.—Messrs. Ames, Ashley of Ohio, Baxter, Beaman, Bergen, Bidwell, Blow, Brandegee, Buckland, Bundy, Chanler, Clarke of Kansas, Conkling, Darling, Davis, Dixon, Donnelly, Eliot, Farnsworth, Ferry, Goodyear, Griswold, Hale, Hart, Hogan, Holmes, Hotchkiss, Hubbard of West Virginia, Hubbard of New-York, Hubbard of Connecticut, Hubbell of New-York, Hulburd, Humphrey, Hunter, Jenckes, Jones, Kelley, Ketcham, Ladin, Longyear, Marvin, McKean, Moorehead, Morris, Newell, Price, Pomeroy, Radford, Raymond, Rice of Massachusetts, Rice of Maine, Rogers, Ross, Spalding, Starr, Stevens, Stilwell, Taber, Taylor, of New-York, Thayer, Francis Thomas, John L. Thomas, Jr., Thornton, Trimble, Trowbridge, Upson, Van Aernam, Van Horn, Ward, of New-York, Warner, Washburn, of Indiana, Wentworth, Woodbridge, Wright—73.

NAYS—Messrs. Ancona, Arnell, Ashley, Baker, Barker, Bingham, Blaine, Boutwell, Boyer, Bromwell, Broomall, Campbell, Clarke, of Ohio; Cobb, Cooper, Cullom, Dawson, Defreese, Delano, Deming, Dodge, Dumont, Eckley, Eldridge, Farquhar, Finck, Garfield, Grinnell, Harding, Hawkins, Hayes, Hill, Hise, Hubbard of West Virginia, Hubbell of Ohio, Julian, Kerr, Koontz, Kuykendall, Latham, Lawrence of Pennsylvania, Lawrence Ohio, Le Blond, Loan, Marshall Marston, Maynard, McClurg, Mercur, Miller, Penn., Morrill, Myers, O'Neill, Orth, Paine, Perham, Price, Randall of Kentucky, Rollins, Sawyer, Schenck, Scofield, Shanklin, Shellabarger, Sloans, Washburne of Massachusetts, Walker, Whaley, Wilson of Iowa, Wilson of Pennsylvania.

CALIFORNIA.

Arrival of Dr. Eells.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

SAN FRANCISCO Cal., THURSDAY, Feb. 4, 1867.

Dr. EELLS, late pastor of the Dutch Reformed (Dr. Bethune's) Church, Brooklyn, arrived here per *Golden Age*, on Saturday, in response to an invitation to become the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Stockton-street, in this city. The Sunday-school attached to the Church gave their new pastor a reception yesterday afternoon. The following were the order of exercises:

Voluntary.....Choir
Song—"We Have Come Rejoicing".....School
Reading Scripture.....Pastor
Chant—"Lord's Prayer".....School
Song—"The Sabbath-school a Place of Prayer,"
Infant School
Address of Welcome.....Superintendent
Address of Welcome.....Franklin H. Haight
Song—"Welcome to our Pastor".....School
Remarks.....Pastor
Song—"Beautiful Zion".....School

The second address of welcome was by a member of the school—a boy eight years of age. The Church was beautifully trimmed for the occasion. Among other mottoes on the walls were the following:

"How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of Peace, and bring glad tidings of good things."

"Atlantic welcome to the Pacific."

The remarks of Dr. EELLS made a favorable impression. He is destined to obtain his full share of popularity here. All who have heard him are well pleased with him.

Execution of Henry E. Gardner, at Elmira, for the Murder of Amasa Mulock—Shocking Scene at the Gallows.

ELMIRA, Friday, March 1.

HENRY E. GARDNER, who was convicted of the murder of AMASA MULOCK, Dec. 29, 1864, expiated his crime upon the scaffold, in the yard of the County Jail, in this city, to-day.

GARDNER, who was a soldier in the Twelfth United States Regulars, stationed at this place, induced MULOCK to go into the woods with him, ostensibly for the purpose of hunting, but in reality to murder him for some money which MULOCK had about his person.

The murder was done by beating the old man in the head with a musket. GARDNER took what money the old man had, and two watches. Prior to this GARDNER had been without money, and had endeavored to borrow of his comrades. Immediately after the homicide he was flush, and sported two watches, one of which was afterward proved to be MULOCK's. Suspicion at once pointed to GARDNER as the murderer. He was arrested, and on April 9, 1866, found guilty. The case was twice before the General Term upon a writ of error, so that the final sentence was not pronounced until January last. The arrangements for the execution were completed this morning. At 1:40 o'clock the prisoner was brought out and walked steadily up the steps to the platform, maintaining a quiet and firm demeanor.

The Sheriff asked him if he desired to speak to those present, whereupon the prisoner in a low voice said: "Now, my dear friends, if there are any among you who have been addicted to drinking liquor or to have bad associates, I beg of you to keep from them for they will surely be the ruination of any man. In your behalf I ask you all to take my advice, live to be good Christians and come to Christ and live and honest and fair life."

The noose was then adjusted, and his arms and legs pinioned. Prayer was offered for the soul of the condemned by his spiritual adviser, immediately after which the drop fell. Two strands of the rope parted where it was fastened to the beam, and the other stretched sufficiently to allow his feet to touch the ground. The fall, however, was sufficient to break his neck, as there was little or no struggle perceptible. Another rope was, however, spliced on, and his body suspended, and after hanging thirty minutes life was pronounced extinct. The remains were then placed in a coffin, and sent to Woodlawn Cemetery for interment.

GARDNER was born in Newburgh, Ohio, and was 24 years old. His parents now reside in Valparaiso, Indiana.

Yesterday he made a full confession of the crime, which shows the murder to have been premeditated, and one of peculiar atrocity and coldbloodedness.

The Civil Rights Bill in Virginia—Magistrates Held to Answer for Violating it.

NORFOLK, Friday, March 1.

Commissioner FOSTER delivered a lengthy opinion this morning, sustaining the Civil Rights Bill, and deciding that the Court Magistrates acted illegally in excluding the testimony of colored witnesses, and bound them over in $1,500 each, with two solvent securities, for their appearance before the District Court, meeting on the 18th inst.

Shooting Affray Between Brothers in Canada.

PERTH, C. W., Friday, March 1.

In a dispute about the keys of their store last evening, between Capt. J. MCG. CHAMBERS and his brother, Dr. CHAMBERS, father of the Member of Parliament for Brockville, the Captain called his brother a liar, whereupon the latter drew a revolver and shot the Captain through the breast, inflicting a dangerous and probably a fatal wound. The Doctor has been arrested.

Post-office Burned at Manchester, N. H.

BOSTON, Friday, March 1.

A fire in Amoskeag Village, Manchester, N. H., to-day, destroyed L. L. MONTGOMERY & Co.'s shoe manufactory and a building adjoining.

The Post-office was in the former building, and all the mail matter was destroyed. Loss from $15,000 to $20,000. Partially insured.

Sailing of the China for Liverpool.

HALIFAX, Friday, March 1.

The Royal Mail steamship *China*, Capt. HOCKLEY, which arrived here early this morning from Boston, sailed at 11 o'clock for Liverpool.

Execution of "Horace Greeley," the Negro Murderer.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 1.

The negro murderer, "Horace Greely," was executed this morning. There were but few spectators present. Previous to the hanging he admitted his guilt.

The Central System in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Friday, March 1.

In consequence of a misunderstanding on the part of the warehousemen, the central system did not go into effect to-day, as was expected, from the resolutions adopted by the Board of Trade some time ago.

The Montana Legislature.

VIRGINIA CITY, Friday, March 1.

The Legislature adjourned to-day without changing the Election Law.

Lawlessness in Tennessee—Proclamation by Gov. Brownlow.

Gov. BROWNLOW has issued a proclamation, in which he states that he has received information of "atrocious murders and numerous outrages committed in certain counties in Tennessee, by violent and disloyal men, upon the persons and property of Union men, whose only offence has been their unswerving devotion to the national flag, and their uniform support of the State Government; and that these bad men are banding themselves together in some localities, and notifying loyal men to leave within a given time." He therefore proclaims that he intends to put a stop to all such outrages, by at once calling into actual service a sufficient number of loyal volunteers, under the act recently passed by the Legislature, to organize and equip a State guard, composed of loyal men, and subject to his order for special service when in his opinion the safety of life, property or liberty, or the faithful execution of law require it. The Governor says:

Standing, as I do, on the broad principles of the Constitution, and sworn to enforce the laws, I have no concessions to make to traitors, no compromises to offer to assassins and robbers, and if, in the sweep of coming events, retributive justice shall overtake the lawless and violent, their own temerity will have called it forth. The outrages enumerated must and shall cease. Having reached the foregoing conclusion, I fell justified in expressing the opinion that the present State Government in Tennessee—so generally acquiesced in by loyal and law-abiding people—will be sustained and preserved despite all the efforts of disappointed traitors and disloyal newspapers.

The interests of trade, of agricultural pursuits, of commercial intercourse between this State and others—of the development of our vast resources, of emigration, as well as justice to loyal sufferers—all require that these outrages at once cease in every county in the State. Disloyal men are giving forth their vile utterances in railroad cars, in public hotels, on the streets and through the newspapers, damaging the material interests of the State, those of commerce, those of the mechanic arts, of religion and education, as well as bringing reproach upon the Commonwealth.

I cannot however, close this brief proclamation without endeavoring to impress upon my fellow-citizens of all parties the importance—the absolute necessity—of remaining quiet, of preserving good order, and a quiet submission to and a rigid enforcement of the laws everywhere within the limits of our State. Outrages upon loyal citizens, whether white or black, and the setting aside of the franchise law, are all the work of bad men, who desire to foment strife, and will not be tolerated.

Prudent and experienced men will be placed in charge of the "State Guard" in every county where they are placed, who will be required to protect all good citizens, irrespective of political parties, and to punish murderers, robbers, and all violators of law. And the number of troops called into active service will be increased or diminished, as the good or bad conduct of the people shall be developed. Hoping this proclamation will strengthen the hands and inspire the hearts of the loyal people of our State as to the future, and deter the disloyal from further acts of violence, I respectfully submit it, with a repetition of the assurance that I mean what I say, and that the General Assembly was in earnest in the passage of this military law.

WILLIAM G. BROWNLOW,
Commander-in-Chief, &c.

SECRET HISTORY OF THE WAR.

Relief of Fort Pickens—Reply of Mr. J. T. Headley to the Card of Gen. Brown.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your paper of the 19th inst. I noticed a lengthy article written by Gen. HARVEY BROWN ostensibly to correct certain historical errors which he asserts he has discovered in the extract from my "Farragut Naval Commanders," published by you the other day. The extract gave a detailed account of the secret expedition that was fitted out to relieve Fort Pickens. It had never before been published, and the singular facts therein narrated we venture to say were entirely new errors to Gen. BROWN. He does not dispute the correctness of any of these, but directs his elaborate effort to two incidental statements that could have been omitted altogether without impairing the completeness of the narrative.

The first of these two is the declaration that the troops under Capt. MEIGS arrived "just before PORTER." Gen. BROWN asserts "the troops on board the *Atlantic* arrived off Pensacola on the evening of the 16th of April. The *Powhatan* did not arrive until about noon of the 17th."

He does not say how far away he means by "off Pensacola, nor how late in the evening" the steamer arrived, nor define what he means by "about noon"—a very loose proceeding we suggest in a critic who is writing to correct dates. But let this pass. According to his own statement the troops arrived during the night, and PORTER came up next forenoon. If after a lengthy voyage one of his vessels reaches the destined point a few hours before the other, we always thought the general term "just before" was perfectly correct, and think so still; nay, that is quite as accurate as the loose statement of Gen. BROWN.

The second named error in the account is the declaration that PORTER was present when the landing took place. It is of no consequence whether he was or not, because there was no opposition, and hence no glory or merit to be divided. Gen. BROWN says:

"The commanding officer and a portion of his command were landed by the boats of Capts. ADAMS and POOR immediately after their arrival, and the fort was relieved about 2 o'clock on the morning of the 17th, several hours before *Capt. Porter made his appearance.*"

The reader will see that Gen. BROWN means to convey the impression that the work of landing was all done before Capt. PORTER's arrival. He, however, seems to forget that a little further on, in order to prove a statement, he introduces the following letter of Capt. MEIGS to PORTER:

Capt. Porter, Commanding Powhatan, off Pensacola:

SIR: Under the circumstances detailed in the within letter, and the necessity of avoiding collision, while in the act of landing stores, horses and artillery, I feel it my duty to request you postponing entering the harbor for the present. * * *

Thus it will be seen that Gen. BROWN's own witness asserts that PORTER was present and wanted to go inside while "stores, horses and *artillery*" were being landed. Gen. BROWN cannot have so low an opinion of the intelligence of the common unmilitary reader as to suppose he does not know that an expedition cannot be said to have effected a landing when a few men have got ashore who would be a burden instead of a benefit without "stores, horses and artillery." Now it is candidly submitted if Gen. BROWN, while professing to correct these two statements, has not corroborated them both. The truth is, these small matters were not the cause of Gen. BROWN's lengthy letter, but the expression of an opinion on my part which has nothing to do with the facts of history. He says:

"Mr. HEADLEY goes on to declare that Capt. PORTER 'could have gone into Pensacola,' anxiously desired to do so, but the army officer at Fort Pickens protested against it, urging as a reason that the fort was not in a condition to resist the fire of "BRAGG's Batteries," which PORTER *knew he could silence.* * * 'It was a great disappointment to him not to be able to take the place when he knew how easily it could have been done, but he would not attempt it with the army and navy commanders, (both his seniors,) opposed to it. He has no doubt since regretted, a hundred times, that he paid attention to such timid counsels and did not take the responsibility.'"

Now, I fearlessly assert that Capt. PORTER could not have entered Pensacola Harbor at that time, that the attempt would have been followed by the certain destruction of the vessel, the probable loss of the crew, and the jeopardizing the safety of Fort Pickens, and that if he could have entered, no valuable results would have followed. He would only have entered into a trap, in which he could not stay, and from which he could not extricate himself, or be extricated.

Now, Gen. BROWN can assert what he chooses, and it may be the truth, but we would like, if the General will permit it without losing his temper, to be allowed to coincide with Capt. PORTER, who *believed he could* enter, and was standing in with his batteries manned and his flag flying when he was intercepted. Another General, we believe, once "fearlessly asserted" his opinion against that of Admiral PORTER, and was proving it to be correct before a Committee when the thunder of cannon and shouts of the people announcing the fall of Fort Fisher settled the question at issue.

The *Powhatan*, no doubt, was a bad vessel for such an enterprise as PORTER contemplated, but the boldness and unexpectedness of the movement would probably have made it successful. There was, however, no intention of reflecting on Gen. BROWN's course in stopping him. Under the circumstances, it may have been unwise to take the risk of failure, with all its results. He expressed no opinion on this point. It must be remembered that "FARRAGUT and Our Naval Commanders" is, as its title indicates, not a history of the war nor even a naval history. The book proposes to give, first, biographical sketches of those naval officers, without distinction of rank, who distinguished themselves during the war; and second, a detailed description of the battles in which they were engaged—in short, a series of biographical sketches and a series of naval pictures, no more, no less. A complete naval history would have swelled the work to too large a size. This fact is mentioned because Capt. ADAMS might think there was an intention to reflect on him in speaking of PORTER's action in reference to blockading duty. Such an inference would be incorrect, for the navy boasts no more gallant and capable officer than he. But in the sketch of PORTER, in order to make it complete, it was necessary to give all his actions—show his restless activity, enterprise and daring. Hence, when saying "he has probably regretted a hundred times that he obeyed such timid counsels," &c., the object was to bring out a peculiar trait in the man—one which was so conspicuous in his illustrious father. No opinion was given as to the propriety of his doing so; the phrase "timid counsels" was meant simply to express what were probably PORTER's feelings when intercepted in his daring movement. Both Gen. BROWN and Capt. ADAMS may have been, and very probably were, right, under all the circumstances, in doing just what they did, and PORTER been wrong in taking any responsibility. We said nothing about it because we were writing of PORTER only—giving his actions and character. Hence we necessarily gave him a peculiar prominence, which he would not have occupied in a history of the land and naval movements combined. Any one in writing a biographical sketch of Gen. MEIGS would reverse this course, and make him just as prominent as we have made PORTER. There may be seeming injustice in this, but any one, on a moment's reflection, will see that it is preposterous to put the full biographies of two men into the sketch of one.

We think that we have effectually disposed of all the statements of Gen. BROWN except one, and that is the pompous and supercilious assertion contained in his closing sentence. We leave him the full benefit of that, and will only say that we trust he is more skillful in managing ships than he has shown himself to be in managing his case.

Respectfully, yours. J. T. HEADLEY.

NEWBURGH, New-York, Feb. 21, 1867.

Donation to Oberlin College.

Rev. CHARLES AVERY, of Pittsburgh, left an estate exceeding in value $150,000, to be devoted to the "education and elevation of the colored people in the United States and in the Canadas," and his executors have appropriated $25,000 of this sum to Oberlin College, on the condition that the College shall never make any discrimination, on account of color, against colored students, and that it shall forever remain free to any of the white or colored citizens of all parts of the country who may apply for its privileges being given to twenty to be selected by the American Missionary Association. The first of these conditions has always been fulfilled by Oberlin. The Oberlin *News*, from which we learn the above, says that by the efforts of Rev. E. H. FAIRCHILD, as financial agent, $65,000 have been already paid in or pledged for the new endowment of the College, and that little doubt is felt but that the whole amount aimed at will be duly secured.

Political Items.

The Salt Lake (Utah) *Vedette*, speaking of the election of a delegate to Congress in that city, on the 4th inst., says: "We have witnessed many an election, have seen the course pursued by the mudsliders of the South, where paupers were driven in carriages to the polls, and the gravestones of churchyards were resorted to for names to be used by the living. We have visited the polls in the Sixth Ward in New-York, where the purlieus of the Five Points were brought into requisition as fighters to deter respectable citizens from the free exercise of a just privilege. We have been a constant spectator of all the elections in San Francisco from 1849 to 1861. We have seen all these attended, as such practices will ever be, by riotous proceedings, blackguardism and violation of all laws. But we have never yet witnessed an election where all the requirements of law, all the observance of custom, all adherence to rule and usage, were so openly and flagrantly violated as was that of yesterday."

A petition is being circulated among the colored people of Kentucky, asking the Legislature to secure to them an impartial distribution of the school funds; to grant the right of testimony unrestricted; the admission of the colored insane, idiotic and infirm paupers into the institutions provided for them, and the benefits of such civil enactments as are deemed necessary for the protection of person, property, virtue and labor. The petition closes with an earnest appeal for increased educational privileges as indispensable to the welfare and intelligence of their children, and for the prosperity of the State.

An informal meeting of some of the members of the Alabama Legislature was held on the night of adjournment, and Judge ALEX. B. CLITHERALL, who was called to the Speakership stand, after a brief definition of his "platform," and responding to various interrogatories, formally announced himself as a candidate for Governor at the next election.

It is rumored that the President will nominate to the Senate a negro for an important office. The rumor grows out of the fact that a petition has been presented to the President, asking him to appoint FRED. DOUGLASS Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau.

The Montgomery (Ala.) *Mail* says: "Previous to the war New-Hampshire was the stronghold of Democracy in the New-England States, and it would be an agreeable surprise if the State should again vote the same way in this important crisis."

A bill to provide for the calling of a State Convention to consider the political situation was voted down in the Alabama House on the 18th inst. by a vote of forty-four to thirty-three.

The vote by which the citizens of Saco, Me., accepted a city charter was "unexpectedly large," being 465 yeas to 444 nays. The first municipal election will be held March 11.

It is stated that GOV. PATTON, of Alabama, who is a candidate for reëlection, will stump the State, to vindicate his recent course in political matters.

A bill is now pending before the New-Jersey Legislature which provides for the suppression of the sale of intoxicating liquors on elect on days.

Gen. Batcheller and City Railroads.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Learning to-day that in publishing the proceedings of the Legislature recently, you announced the name of GEO. S. BATCHELLER as one of the corporators in the Twenty-third-street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Bill, I desire to state that in drawing the bill I placed the name of Gen. BATCHELLER in it without consulting him, but informed him of it, stating the object. In reply he expressed regret at my using his name; as he did not believe in special legislation, and desired its erasure from the bill, at the same time expressing his belief in the propriety and necessity of railroads in the City of New-York.

I immediately wrote the Chairman of the Committee to which the bill was referred, stating the above facts, and requested the erasure of Gen. BATCHELLER's name.

Not hearing to the contrary, supposed my request had been heeded, but it seems his name still remained at the date of your report of legislative proceedings, and I now desire to inform the public of the facts, and to ask it to consider Gen. BATCHELLER as out of the bill, while it may continue to hope that the bill will become a law.

Respectfully, &c. B. TAYLOR.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

A Stale but Successful Trick, and Wrath of the Victim.

A few evenings since while a party of gentlemen were dining at an up-town mansion, the host, who is a prominent merchant, was called from the table at the request of a young man who said he had pressing business. The man called himself the son of a well-known Boston merchant with whom our New-York friend dealt largely, and added that he was on his way to Washington with his mother and other ladies, but had been on business to Brooklyn, and in coming over the Fulton ferry had his pocket picked of his railroad tickets and money. Remembering the New-York merchant's name as among his father's correspondents, he made bold to state his case, and ask the loan of forty or fifty dollars, just enough to get to Washington. The New-Yorker not only assented, but forced the stranger to take a hundred dollars instead of fifty, and would have made it five hundred if that amount had been in his pocket. On relating the incident at the table he was greeted with such well-understood phrases as "done brown," "sold," &c., accompanied by "nods and becks and wreathed smiles" of the most provoking kind. He was sure that all was right; but next day, merely in order to silence his tormentors he telegraphed to the alleged father of the "nice young man," asking what time his son left Boston. The answer was that the true young man had not been out of Boston for a month. Since that, whenever our New-York merchant meets any of the gentlemen he had at dinner, he glares savagely at them, and mutters something about broken heads to be had upon slight provocation; while, as to that special young man who "looked just like his father," his precious corpus will suffer disastrous shipwreck if ever he crosses the path of his tall victim—a victim who had, up to the receipt of his answer from Boston, been especially celebrated for his estimate of his own shrewdness and his unmerciful ridicule of those who fell into the little trap that such nice young man set for the unwary.

Fire in Washington-street this Morning.

At 1 o'clock this morning a fire occurred at No. 94 Washington-street, corner of Rector-street, occupied by FREDERICK BRUKLEMAN, as a grocery store. The flames originated in the bedroom in rear of the store. The flames were not extinguished before the stock was damaged to the extent of $2,000, probably insured. Mrs. JULIA GLANE, widow, sustained a loss of $100 on furniture, on the second floor. Damage to building $500; insured.

The New-York Yacht Club—The Annual Meeting—The Regatta to Take Place June 13.

The regular annual meeting of the New-York Yacht Club, continued by adjournment from the 7th ult., in consequence of the absence of Commodore MCVICKAR, was held at DELMONICO's, corner of Fifth-avenue and Fourteenth-street, on the 28th ult., Rear-Commodore ANSON LIVINGSTON presiding, and W. J. MORTON acting as Secretary.

The list of yachts being called, seventeen were found represented. Communications were then read from the Commodore, Vice-Commodore and Rear-Commodore, acknowledging the courtesies and considerations uniformly extended to them, and declining to be considered candidates for reëlection to their respective offices. These communications were received with general regret. Commodore MCVICKAR, it will be remembered, was the judge in the late ocean yacht race, and performed the duties of that difficult office with such admirable discretion and delicacy as to secure from all the highest appreciation of his qualities as a gentleman and a lover of the noble sport to which the Club is devoted. Vice-Commodore MAJOR has been associated with the Club from its first organization, and is identified with its history as the former owner of the schooner *Norman* and present owner of the *Seadrift*. He has always been one of the most active and efficient members of the Club. Rear-Commodore ANSON LIVINGSTON, another earnest yachtman, was formerly the owner of the very fast little sloop *Annie*.

Upon the reception of these communications the Club unanimously adopted the following preamble and resolution:

The New-York Yacht Club, at its regular annual meeting, held on Thursday, the 28th of February, having received communications from Commodore WM. H. MCVICKAR, Vice-Commodore ALEXANDER MAJOR and Rear-Commodore ANSON LIVINGSTON, declining to be considered candidates for reelection for the coming year, resolve as follows:

That they receive with unfeigned regret the letters of Commodore WM. H. MCVICKAR, Vice-Commodore ALEXANDER MAJOR and Rear-Commodore ANSON LIVINGSTON, and take the occasion to express to them their high appreciation of their valuable services—services mingled with unfailing courtesy to all, and marked by a perfect knowledge and scrupulous discharge of all the duties pertaining to yachting life.

The Club tender to them their warmest thanks for their continuous, earnest and successful efforts to secure and advance the prosperity of the association during their term of office.

The Club then proceeded to the election of new members, and eighteen names were favorably acted upon.

The election of new officers was then taken up, and resulted in the choice of Mr. Henry G. Stebbins, owner of the *Fleetwing*, Commodore; Mr. J. G. Bennett, Jr., owner of the *Henrietta*, Vice-Commodore; Mr. D. Scary, Jr., of Boston, Rear-Commodore; Mr. Hamilton Morton, Secretary; Robert S. Hone, Treasurer, and Alfred W. Craven, Measurer.

The annual regatta was fixed for Thursday, June 13, an appropriation made, and a Regatta Committee appointed to arrange details, consisting of W. W. Shippen, Fletcher Westray and A. M. Knapp.

The meeting then adjourned.

Commencement Exercises of the New York University Medical College.

The Chapel of the New-York University was filled last evening with an intelligent and select audience on the occasion of the annual commencement of the University Medical College. The stage was occupied by Chancellor FERRIS, Dr. J. W. DRAPER, Profs. POST, DANIELS, J. C. DRAPER, ROOSA, and other members of the Faculty. The exercises were presided over by the venerable Chancellor of the University, and were enlivened by the occasional performance of selections of excellent music. Prayer was offered by the Chancellor, after which the degree of M. D. was conferred upon the following named gentlemen, composing the Class of 1866-7, who received the usual diplomas:

LIST OF GRADUATES.

Session 1866-7.

Anthony, W. E., R. I.
Arnold, J. F., Penn.
Ayers, A. T., N. Y.
Baker, F. J., N. Y.
Bedel, W. F., N. Y.
Benedict, J. M., N. Y.
Bohmer, E., N. Y.
Branscumb, W. G., Mass.
Brem, C. P., N. C.
Bryans, J. F., Va.
Callan, P. A., N. J.
Cannon, F. M., Penn.
Chumkpan, J., Syria.
Olason, S. W., Jr., N. Y.
Clopton, J. M., Ala.
Cochran, J. H., Va.
Cook, D. J., C., N. Y.
Dawber, T. B., N. J.
Dawson, W. J. G., N. B.
Debham, W. N., Ala.
Denniston, J., N. Y.
Edgerly, D. M., N. H.
Edwards, L. B., Va.
Ferris, I. W., N. Y.
Flores, J. de J., Costa Rica.
Foster, S. A., N. Y.
Greene, H. M., N. Y.
Grindle, H. D., N. Y.
Guiuzzan, K., Syria.
Hart, H. J., Penn.
Henry, J. F., N. Y.
Hester, W., Alabama.
Heyden, F. G., N. Y.
Houghton, H. C., Mass.
Hudson, G. V., N. Y.
Johnston, W. H., N. C.
Knight, E. F., N. H.
Knoche, F. R., N. Y.
Kulinyean, N., Syria.
Lanedale, R. E., Oregon.
Macbean, D. B. A., C. E.
Macomber, H. K., Mass.
Martinez, R. P., W. I.
Mitchell, L. C., N. Y.
McAfee, J. W., Oregon.
McDonald, M. M., N. Y.
O'Malley, P. J., N. Y.
Pursell, H., Penn.
Ramirez, G. P., W. I.
Randall, F. J., N. Y.
Ransom, A. A., N. J.
Rieffel, O. A., N. Y.
Rickaby, H. N. Y.
Ring, A. M., N. B.
Robinson, R. H., N. Y.
Sanford, W. F., Conn.
Sansony, Leon S. A., W. I.
Searcy, J. T., Ala.
Segreda, F. M., Costa Rica.
Shaffer, E. M., N. Y.
Sherman, O. T., N. Y.
Sherman, G. E., Cal.
Shuttleworth, J. G., Fla.
Spannhake, L., N. Y.
Stanley, C. W., N. H.
Stein, A. W., N. Y.
Sullivan, J. D., N. Y.
Thorn, W. R., Penn.
Toal, D. D., N. Y.
Toal, D. P., N. Y.
Walkup, H. C., N. C.
Worlabet, J., Syria.

The award of prizes was then made, as follows:

Mott's medals, perpetuated by will of the late VALENTINE MOTT, M. D., L. L. D.

The gold medal to EUGENE C. ROGERS, of Minnesota, for best anatomical preparation.

The silver medal to JOSEPH M. BENEDICT, of New-York, for second best anatomical preparation.

The bronze medal to CHAS. INCHES, of New-Brunswick, for best report of lectures of one of the Professors.

The Loomis prizes:

First—Postmortem, case of instruments, for best report of Prof. LOOMIS' Clinic for the session just closed, to WM. H. JOHNSTON, of North Carolina.

Second—Pocket case of Instruments for second best report of same description to JAS. T. SEARCY of Alabama.

The Budd Prize—Case of obstetric instruments for best examination in Obstetrics to JUAN DE J. FLORES of Costa Rica, and WM. H. JOHNSTON of North Carolina.

The Roosa Prize—For best report of Prof. ROOSA's Clinic to JAS. T. SEARCY of Alabama.

The Weese Prize—For best report of Clinic to WM. WHITE of Pennsylvania.

The Buttles Prize—For best report of Prof. BUDD's Lectures to CHAS. INCHES of New-Brunswick.

The valedictory address to the graduates was delivered by Prof. J. C. DRAPER. After the usual congratulations and expressions of good will to the members of the class, he pleaded the force of habit as an apology for introducing into the address a lecture on the history and properties of the atmosphere, including a view of the progress of the earth from its original nebulous condition, according to the hypothesis of LA PLACE, to its present state. He gave this a practical turn by urging upon the graduates the importance of due attention to ventilation of sick rooms in their future practice, and closed with some remarks upon the relations of